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PLAINVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS



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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR—*One Year*

CLARENCE F. TELFORD

TOWN CLERK—*One Year*

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

CHARLES S. COBB, Assistant Clerk

TOWN TREASURER—*Three Years*

EDWARD E. OSTERHOLM (expires 1950)

SELECTMEN, WELFARE BOARD *and* BOARD OF HEALTH

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS	Term expires 1949
RALPH E. CROWELL	Term expires 1950
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN	Term expires 1951

ASSESSORS

CHARLES J. QUIRK	Term expires 1949
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS	Term expires 1950
FRANK V. HENRICH	Term expires 1951

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

CLINTON E. BARTON	Term expires 1949
HARVEY C. MORSE	Term expires 1950
JOHN M. BOWMAR	Term expires 1951

WATER COMMISSIONERS

ALTON E. FRENCH	Term expires 1949
(Appointed to fill vacancy of R. H. Berkley)	
HARRY B. THOMPSON	Term expires 1950
FRANK V. HENRICH	Term expires 1951

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN	Term expires 1949
THEODORE A. WICKMAN	Term expires 1950
ALICE M. PEASE	Term expires 1951

TAX COLLECTOR—*Two Years*

(To fill vacancy of Oliver P. Brown, resigned)

THEODORE A. WICKMAN	Term expires 1950
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PARK COMMISSIONERS

META A. SCHUBERT	Term expires 1949
CHARLES G. HAYES	Term expires 1950
CLARENCE F. TELFORD	Term expires 1951

AUDITOR—*One Year*

ALICE E. RIBERO

CONSTABLES—*One Year*

HERBERT A. MORSE	ELMER C. PEASE
CHESTER A. MEYER	

TREE WARDEN—*One Year*

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON

FENCE VIEWERS and FIELD DRIVERS—*One Year*

CHESTER A. MEYER	
HERBERT A. MORSE	ELMER C. PEASE

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK *and* LUMBER

GEORGE H. SNELL.	HARRY O. PROAL
JESSE W. FRANKLIN	ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

APPOINTED BY FIRE ENGINEERS

Chief of Fire Department
CHRISTIAN F. HENRICH

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

Acting Chief of Police
CHESTER A. MEYER

Superintendent of Streets
HARRY O. PROAL

Fire Engineers

CHRISTIAN F. HENRICH

CHESTER A. MEYER

ALTON E. FRENCH

Forest Warden

CHRISTIAN F. HENRICH

Official Weigher and Sealer of Weights and Measures

ADRIAN G. WHEELER

Town Burial Agent

WESLEY H. BURTON

Special Police

EUGENE J. BRODEUR

CLARENCE AVERY

CLINTON E. BARTON

GEORGE A. CLARKE

ARCHIE L. WALDEN

RALPH E. FRENCH

ALTON E. FRENCH

CHARLES J. QUIRK

EVERETT C. DAVIS—Beagle Club property only

CHIEF—PETER J. McKEON, North Attleboro

CHIEF—CHARLES BISHOP, Wrentham

CHIEF—JOSEPH DEAN, Foxboro

CARL MacDONALD

DANA RALPH

JOSEPH McAVOY

JAMES N. WATTERS

JOSEPH LaCASSE

HENRY IRVINE

JOHN J. McCARTHY

GEO. ELLIOTT

STANLEY LYKUS

LEO DESAUTEL

Fire Police

GEORGE A. CLARKE

JESSE W. FRANKLIN

CHARLES F. BREEN, JR.

Inspector of Animals

EARL B. THOMPSON

Inspector of Slaughtering

MERRILL N. FALK, resigned

EARL B. THOMPSON

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Milk Inspector

EARL B. THOMPSON

Dog Officer

HERBERT A. MORSE

Moth Inspector

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON

Registrars of Voters

FRANK KING

HAROLD L. ANDERSON

DACIA A. ANDERSON

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Term expires 1949

Term expires 1950

Term expires 1951

Night Patrolman

ELMER C. PEASE

Welfare Agent and Clerk of Selectmen

RUTH R. FULTON

Town Forest Committee

EDGAR F. BERRY

HARRY O. PROAL

GEORGE H. SNELL

Term expires 1949

Term expires 1950

Term expires 1951

APPOINTED AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Advisory or Financial Committee

RALPH E. CROWELL

OLIVER P. BROWN

GEORGE H. JOHNSON

EDWARD E. OSTERHOLM

EARLE F. BARNEY

CHARLES F. BREEN, JR.

ALPIN CHISHOLM

Town Clerk's Report

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of Plainville, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in Town Hall in said Plainville, on

MONDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH 1948, A. D.

at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers.

Article 2. The following to be chosen by ballot, viz: One Town Clerk, one Auditor, one Tree Warden, one Moderator, and three Constables for one year. One Collector of Taxes for two years. One Selectman and Overseer of Public Welfare, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Water Commissioner, one member of School Committee, one Assessor and one Park Commissioner for three years.

All officers, except the above named, are to be chosen for one year.

Polls will be open at 6:30 A. M. and may be closed by vote at 4:30 P. M.

Article 3. To consider and act on the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to postpone action on all other articles to an adjourned meeting to be held

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Monday evening, March 1, 1948 at 7:30 P. M. in the Town Hall.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Moderator	\$20.00 each Annual Meeting 10.00 each Special Meeting
Town Clerk	300.00 per year
Town Treasurer	600.00 per year
Selectmen, Chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	200.00 per year
Third Member	200.00 per year
Assessors, Chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	300.00 per year
Third Member	300.00 per year
Tax Collector	600.00 per year
School Committee	40.00 each member
Water Commissioners, Chairman and Supt.	200.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year
Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	.85 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 7. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1948 and expressly for the following purposes to wit:

1. For the support of the Public Library.
2. For the Selectman's current expenses and salaries.
3. For the Treasurer's current expenses and salary.
4. For the Town Clerk's current expenses and salary.
5. For the Assessor's current expenses and salaries.
6. For the Tax Collector's current expenses and salary.
7. For the Board of Registrars' current expenses and salaries.
8. For the salary of Town Auditor.
9. For Sealer of Weights and Measures' current expenses and salary.
10. For the payment of Insurance.
11. For Welfare.
12. Aid Dependent Children.
13. For Old Age Assistance..
14. For Veterans' Benefits.
15. For Highways and Bridges, center of Town.
16. For Memorial Day.
17. For Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt.
18. For Fire Department for current expenses and salaries.
19. For Street Lights.
20. For Water Department incidentals, pumping and salaries.
21. For Board of Health current expenses and salaries.
22. For Police Department, including Street Patrol.
23. For Tree Warden.
24. For Removal of Snow.
25. For Town Hall.
26. For Park Commissioners.

27. For Support of School and Salaries of School Committee.
28. Town Forest Committee.
29. For Heating and Maintenance of Fire Station and Town Office Building.
30. For maturing debt.
31. For Welfare Agent.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Town Clerk, and Secretary of the Water Commissioners' bond placed with a fidelity or guarantee company, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the carrying on of the Moth work for the coming year.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund to provide for the extraordinary unforeseen expenses, as authorized by Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws. or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of money apportioned to Plainville for repairs and maintenance of the Norfolk County Hospital.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the operation of Road Machinery or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90, Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81, Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Town Dump, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20.00 to reimburse Edward Roy for overpayment of 1947 taxes, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 or any other sum, for the painting of the exterior of the Fire Station and Town Office Building, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,895.87 for the payment of an overdraft for snow removal incurred during the year 1947, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$278.77, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as its share of the cost of the Norfolk County Retirement System, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,200.00, or any other sum, for the repairs of the gutters on the Town Hall building, and to paint said building two coats outside, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the State Board of Standards to propose

regulations relative to construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings and other structures in the Town, and that the Moderator appoint a committee of five to examine said regulations and report at the next Town Meeting, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to increase the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943; this increase to be added to the amount already earmarked for the building and equipping of a new school building, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund, certain Funds in the Treasury known as the Alice I. Cobb account, for the purchase of bonds or other investments that are legal investments for savings banks in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943. These Funds then to be ear-marked for the building and equipping of a new Public Library Building at some future date, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 25. To choose any committee and to hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at seven (7) Public Places in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and forty-eight.

EDWIN W. PINK,
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS,
RALPH E. CROWELL,
Selectmen of Plainville.

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE,
Constable of the Town of Plainville.

This 23rd day of February, 1948.

OFFICER'S RETURN OF WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Plainville, Mass., Feb. 23rd, 1948.

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrant in 7 public places in the Town of Plainville, 7 days before the time of said meeting.

HERBERT A. MORSE,

Constable of Town of Plainville.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of February, 1948.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING**

Town Hall, Plainville, March 1, 1948

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the 44th Annual Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall, it being the first Monday in March, 1948.

The Ballot Box was inspected by the Town Clerk, found empty; and locked and key passed over to the Police Officer.

Ballot Clerks: Nellie P. King, Elizabeth A. Nowick. Tellers: Dacia A. Anderson, Frank King. Ballot Box and Police Officer: R. Percy Rhodes.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by the Town Clerk.

Warden and Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting, and the Polls were declared open at 6:30 A. M., and at 9 A. M., the Town Clerk called the meeting to order. Not having a quorum present, the Meeting adjourned till 7:30 P. M. this evening at the Town Hall.

By unanimous vote the polls were declared closed at 4:30 P. M. 446 votes cast; 446 names checked on voting lists and the Ballot Box registered 446 ballots cast.

Town Hall, March 1, 1948

The Moderator, Clarence F. Telford, called the meeting to order at 7:40 P. M. 142 present. Reverend John M. Bowmar was called upon for a short prayer.

The Moderator appointed Donald Breen, Clyde Barney, Austin Grant, Eugene Brodeur and Henry Poirier to bring in names for Finance or Advisory Committee for the ensuing year.

Article 2. Motion by Sydney J. Andrews and unanimously voted that the following named act as Measurers of Wood, Bark and Lumber for the ensuing year: Harry O. Proal, George H. Snell, Arthur W. Washburn and Jesse W. Franklin.

Motion by Arthur W. Washburn and unanimously voted that the following named act as Fence Viewers and Field Drivers for the ensuing year: Chester A. Meyer, Herbert A. Morse and Elmer C. Pease.

The results of the balloting was as follows:

Moderator—For One Year

Clarence F. Telford	408
Blanks	38

Town Clerk—For One Year

Arthur W. Washburn	408
Blanks	38

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Selectmen and Welfare Board—For Three Years

Arthur W. Washburn	394
Blanks	52

School Committee—For Three Years

John M. Bowmar	409
Blanks	37

Assessor—For Three Years

Frank V. Henrich	391
Blanks	55

Water Commissioner—For Three Years

Frank V. Henrich	388
Blanks	58

Trustee of Public Library—For Three Years

Alice M. Pease	385
Blanks	61

Collector of Taxes—For Two Years

Clyde M. Barney	178
Theodore A. Wickman	266
Blanks	2

Auditor—For One Year

Alice E. Ribero	387
Blanks	59

Park Commissioner—For Three Years

Clarence F. Telford	396
Blanks	50

Constables—For One Year

Chester A. Meyer	377
Herbert A. Morse	385
Elmer C. Pease	383
Blanks	193

Tree Warden—For One Year

Alec H. Frederickson	388
Blanks	58

Article 3. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn and unanimously voted that we accept the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers as printed in the Town Report with the exception of any typographical errors.

Article 4. No action.

Article 5. Motion by Harry O. Proal and unanimously voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Motion by Alpin Chisholm and unanimously voted to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town, as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Moderator	\$20.00 each Annual Meeting 10.00 each Special Meeting
Town Clerk	\$300.00 per year
Town Treasurer	600.00 per year
Selectmen, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	200.00 per year
Third Member	200.00 per year
Assessor, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	300.00 per year
Third Member	300.00 per year
Collector of Taxes	600.00 per year
School Committee, each member	40.00 per year
Water Commissioners:	
Chairman and Superintendent	150.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year

Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	.85 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

Article 7. Motion by Oliver P. Brown and unanimously voted to appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1948 and expressly for the following purposes:

Section	Motion by	Appropriated for	Amount
1.	Arthur W. Washburn,	Public Library	\$ 550.00
2.	Ralph E. Crowell,	Selectmen's Expenses \$1,300.00; Selectmen's Salaries \$700.00	2,000.00
3.	Sydney J. Andrews,	Treasurer's Expenses \$200.00; Treasurer's Salary \$600.00	800.00
4.	Oliver P. Brown,	Town Clerk's Expenses \$200.00; Town Clerk's Salary \$300.00	500.00
5.	Sydney J. Andrews,	Assessor's Expenses \$200.00; Assessor's Salaries \$900.00	1,100.00
6.	Ralph E. Crowell,	Tax Collector's Expenses \$200.00; Tax Collector's Salary \$600.00	800.00
7.	Harold L. Anderson,	Board of Registrar's Expenses \$50.00; Board of Registrar's Salaries \$300.00	350.00
8.	Sydney J. Andrews,	Auditor's Salary	75.00
9.	Ralph E. Crowell,	Sealer of Weights and Measures, Expenses \$25.00; Salary \$50.00	75.00
10.	Sydney J. Andrews,	Payment of Insurance	1,900.00
11.	Ralph E. Crowell,	General Welfare	1,300.00
12.	Sydney J. Andrews,	Aid Dependent Children	300.00
13.	Ralph E. Crowell,	Old Age Assistance	11,500.00

Section	Motion by	Appropriated for	Amount
14.	Sydney J. Andrews, Veteran's Benefits		200.00
15.	Harry O. Proal, Highways and Bridges, Center Town		2,000.00
16.	Harold L. Anderson, Memorial Day		150.00
17.	Edward E. Osterholm, Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt		200.00
18.	Christian F. Henrich, Fire Dept., Expenses \$1275.00; Fire Dept. Salaries \$1425.00		2,700.00
19.	Sydney J. Andrews, Street Lights		4,650.00
20.	Harry B. Thompson, Water Dept., Incidentals and Pumping \$4100.00; Salaries \$200.00		4,300.00
21.	Ralph E. Crowell, Board of Health Salaries and Expenses		1,900.00
22.	Chester A. Meyer, Police Dept., including Street Patrol		2,700.00
23.	George H. Snell, Tree Warden		300.00
24.	Harry O. Proal, that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,150.18. This motion amended by Earl F. Barney that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for Snow Removal. Amendment carried.		8,000.00
25.	No action.		
26.	Meta A. Schubert, Park Commissioners		1,000.00
27.	Harvey C. Morse, Support of Schools and Maintenance of Town Hall \$46,071.00, Salary of School Committee \$120.00		\$46,191.00
28.	Harry O. Proal, Town Forest Committee		75.00
29.	Ralph E. Crowell, Heating and Maintenance of Fire Station and Town Office Building		850.00
30.	Edward E. Osterholm, Maturing Debt		2,000.00
31.	Sydney J. Andrews, Welfare Agent		430.00

Article 8. Motion by Ralph E. Crowell, and unanimously voted to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Secretary of the Water Commissioner's bond placed with fidelity or guarantee company and raise and appropriate the sum of \$155.00 to pay for same.

Article 9. Motion by Edward E. Osterholm, and unanimously voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 10. Motion by Sydney J. Andrews and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the carrying on of the Moth work for the ensuing year.

Article 11. Motion by Edward E. Osterholm and unanimously voted that the sum of \$1,449.37 be raised and appropriated for a Reserve Fund for extra-ordinary unforeseen expenses, this amount to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account.

Article 12. Motion by Sydney J. Andrews, and unanimously voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$945.27 for the repair and maintenance of the Norfolk County Hospital.

Article 13. Motion by Edward E. Osterholm, and unanimously voted that we transfer \$1,500.00 from the Road Machinery Reserve Account, to the Highways and Bridges, Center of Town Account, for operation of Road Machinery.

Article 14. Motion by Harry O. Proal, that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90, Highway maintenance. This article amended by Edward E. Osterholm, that in addition the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's shares of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury. Motion and amendment carried.

Article 15. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$4,300.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81, Highways, and that, in addition, the sum of \$7,200.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 16. Motion by Harry O. Proal, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for care and maintenance of the Town Dump.

Article 17. Motion by Oliver P. Brown, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20.00 to reimburse Edward Roy for overpayment of 1947 taxes.

Article 18. Motion by Ralph E. Crowell, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for the painting of the exterior of the Fire Station and Town Office Building.

Article 19. Motion by Oliver P. Brown and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,895.87, for the payment of an overdraft for snow removal incurred during the year of 1947.

Article 20. Motion by Sydney J. Andrews and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$278.77, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as it's share of the cost of the Norfolk County Retirement System.

Article 21. Motion by Harvey C. Morse, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the repair of the gutters on the Town Hall.

Article 22. Motion by Henry S. Tamblyn and unanimously voted to authorize the Selectmen to petition the State Board of Standards to propose regulations relative to construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings and other structures in the Town, and that the Moderator appoint a committee of five to examine said regulations, and look into the question of zoning laws, and report at the next Town Meeting.

Article 23. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue Account to the Post War Rehabilitation Fund and that this amount be ear-marked for the School Building and Equipment Program.

Article 24. Motion by Ralph E. Crowell, and unanimously voted that the Town transfer, the sum of money now in the treasury, known as the Alice I. Cobb Account, to the stabilization fund set up last year, for the purpose of building and equipping a new Public Library building, as provided for in Chapter 124, Acts of 1945, General Laws. Mr. Edward Osterholm informed the meeting the money in said fund amounted to approximately \$2,017.52.

Previous to the vote on the above article, the Moderator informed the meeting that an error was made in the printing of Article 24, as shown on page 122 of the Annual Report. The correction is Chapter 124, Acts of 1945, instead of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943, and this transfer of money should be to the Stabilization Fund instead of Post War Rehabilitation Fund.

Article 25. The Committee appointed to bring in nominations for the Advisory or Finance Committee presented the following names, and they were duly elected. Earle F. Barney, George H. Johnson, Alpin Chisholm, Charles F. Breen, Jr., and Oliver P. Brown.

The Moderator appointed the following committee under Article 22: (Building Regulations and Zoning) The three (3) Selectmen, Chief of the Fire Department, and Mr. Edward A. Henry. The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to be Chairman of this Committee.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1947.

The Plainville School Planning Committee has been active during the year, and is still of the opinion that no new building should be undertaken at this time.

We are of the opinion that the financial program should be continued, and are recommending that ten thousand dollars be added to the School Building Fund under the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund, making a total of thirty thousand dollars now available.

The Committee would like to see its work proceed at a faster pace, but it urges citizens to bear in mind that these are extremely difficult times in which to undertake building and also that for a project of this scope, it is necessary to plan and consider each step very carefully.

We further recommend that this Committee be continued as a School Planning Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

ALPIN CHISHOLM, Chairman
Plainville School Planning Committee

By unanimous vote this report was accepted and the Committee continued in office.

The Library Building Committee reported that owing to the continued high prices of labor and material they had not made any further plans for construction of the building. The Committee is asking for the transfer of the money in the Alice I. Cobb Account to the Stabilization Fund set up last year for building and equipping a new Public Library. They also request the same committee be continued in office.

By unanimous vote the report was accepted and the Committee continued in office.

Adjourned 9:33 P. M.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Town Hall, Plainville, on

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 1948

at Nine o'clock A. M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

7 Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

7 Alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

16 Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

16 Alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party for the 14th Congressional District.

2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party for the 14th Congressional District.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party for the 14th Congressional District.

2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party for the 14th Congressional District.

District Members of State Committee—(One Man and One Woman) for each political party for the First Bristol Senatorial District.

15 Members of the Republican Town Committee.
The polls will be open from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this First day of April, A. D., 1948.

RALPH E. CROWELL
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN
Selectmen of Plainville

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable.

This 16th Day of April, 1948.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

Plainville, Mass., April 16, 1948.

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrants in 7 Public Places in the Town of Plainville 10 days before time of said Meeting.

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the 16th day of April 1948,

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN HALL, PLAINVILLE, APRIL 27, 1948

The Presidential Primary was held in the Town Hall, April 27, 1948.

Ballot Clerks: Elizabeth Nowick and Nellie King. Tellers: Dacia Anderson and Frank King. Ballot Box and Police Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by the Town Clerk.

Warden and Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Ballot Box was inspected, found empty, and locked by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting and at 9:00 o'clock the polls were declared open.

The polls were closed at 3 P. M., total number of Ballots cast 21; consisting of 19 Republican and 2 Democratic; 21 names checked on voting lists and ballot box registered 21 ballots cast.

The results of the balloting was as follows:

REPUBLICAN**Delegates**

Robert F. Bradford	16
Leverett Saltonstall	16
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	16
Joseph William Martin, Jr.	18
Clarence A. Barnes	16
Katherine G. Howard	14
Edwin L. Olander	15
Blanks	22

Alternate Delegates

Esther W. Wheeler	14
Carroll L. Meins	14
Clara F. Roberto	14
Richard V. Wigglesworth	15

Florence G. Claussen	14
Anne M. Zyfers	14
Milton P. Higgins	14
Blanks	34

District Delegates and Alternate District Delegates

14th District

Delegates:

Willis D. McLean	17
Willard A. Ormsbee	18
Blanks	3

Alternate Delegates

Warren R. Gilmore	19
Beatrice Hancock Mullaney	16
Blanks	3

State Committee—First Bristol District (Man)

Roswell D. H. Emerson	17
Blanks	2

State Committee—First Bristol District (Woman)

Frances G. Tregoning	17
Blanks	2

Town Committee

William H. Saart	18
Clarence F. Telford	18
Henry J. Poirier	18
Charles J. Quirk	19
Arthur W. Washburn	19
Oliver P. Brown	18
Sydney J. Andrews	17
Donald E. Breen	19
Charles O. Peasley	17
Harding P. Hamant	17
Harry H. Morse	17
John A. Kenerson	16
Morey G. Day	19
Harvey C. Morse	18
Blanks	16

DEMOCRATIC PARTY**Delegates—Group 1**

John W. McCormack	1
James M. Curley	1
Thomas J. Buckley	1
William J. Foley	1
Chester A. Dolan, Jr.	1
Joseph E. Casey	1
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	1
Daniel B. Brunton	1
Margaret M. O'Riordan	1
Roger L. Putnam	1
Maxwell B. Grossman	1
Francis E. Kelly	1
John T. McMorro	1
David J. Brickley	1
Joseph A. Scolponeti	1
Edward P. Gilgun	1
Blanks	16

Delegates

William R. Conley	1
Frank T. Y. Goon	1
Michael A. O'Leary	1
Bernard J. Killion	1
Clementina Langone	1
Michael LoPresti	1
Mary E. McDonald	1
Charles H. McGlue	1
Thomas F. Graham	1
Samuel Michelman	1
Rita M. Moylan	1
Mary Higgins	1
Charles Collatos	1
Silas F. Taylor	1
James T. Violette	1
Daniel F. Donovan	1
Blanks	16

Delegates—Group 2

Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.	0
John George Asiaf	0

Stanley Borsa	0
Gerald T. Bowler	0
Jeremiah D. Crowley	0
Joseph T. Conley	0
Walter A. Cuffe	0
C. Gerald Lucey	0
Francis V. Matera	0
Harvey A. Pothier	0
William H. J. Rowan	0
Colin J. Cameron	0
Charles J. Artesani	0
Francis X. Casey	0
Daniel Rudsten	0
John M. Shea	0
Blanks	32

Alternate Delegates—Group 2

James A. Burke	0
Joseph E. Duffy	0
Howard B. Driscoll	0
Gerald P. Lombard	0
John J. Toomey	0
Robert G. Connolly	0
Edward J. Mulligan	0
James J. Twohig, Jr.	0
Anthony Farenzo	0
John G. Curley	0
Patrick Cronin	0
Harold C. Nagle	0
Thomas F. Reilly	0
John H. O'Connor, Jr.	0
James E. Hannon	0
Frank B. Oliveira	0
Blanks	32

Delegates—Not Grouped

James A. Bowes	0
Francis E. Cassidy	0
Lawrence W. Caton	0
Joseph H. Downey	0
Leo A. Gosselin	0
Thomas A. Keating	0
Mathias LaPierre	0

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Leo F. McGrath	0
James Leo O'Connor	0
James F. Reynolds	0
George W. Stanton	0
Alice D. Sullivan	0
Blanks	24

Alternate Delegates—Not Grouped

Marie F. Akey	0
Thomas B. Brennan	0
Joseph J. Buckley	0
John C. Carr	0
Lawrence E. Corcoran	0
Frederick M. Kelley	0
Ida C. McDonough	0
Edward McLaughlin	0
Wilfred J. Paquet	0
Luke Ryan	0
Anna A. Sharry	0
Jacob W. Shinberg	0
Wanda Walczak	0
Blanks	24

District Delegates—14th District (Group)

William P. Grant	2
William E. White	2
Blanks	0

Alternate Delegates (Group)

James A. O'Brien	2
William R. Medeiros	2
Blanks	0

State Committee—One Man (First Bristol District)

Bernard F. Cleary	1
Blanks	1

State Committee—One Woman (First Bristol District)

Mary I. Murphy	1
Blanks	1

Town Committee

No Votes.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall,

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1948

at Ten o'clock A. M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nominations of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth; Representatives in Congress for the 14th Congressional District; Councillor for the Third Councillor District; Senator for the Middlesex and Norfolk Senatorial District; One Representative in General Court for the Ninth Norfolk Representative District; Register of Probate and Insolvency, County Commissioners, County Treasurer and Clerk of Courts for Norfolk County.

The polls will be open from 10 o'clock to 8 o'clock P. M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this First Day of September, A. D. 1948.

RALPH E. CROWELL
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Selectmen of Plainville.

A true copy. Attest: HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable.

This 4th day of September, 1948.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

Plainville, Mass., Sept. 4, 1948.

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrant in 7 public places 10 days before the said Election.

HERBERT A. MORSE, Police Officer.

Town of Plainville, Sept. 4, 1948.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of September, 1948.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

The Primary Election was held in the Town Hall, Tuesday, September 14, 1948.

Ballot Clerks: Elizabeth Nowick and Nellie King. Tellers: Frank King and Dacia Anderson. Ballot Box and Police Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by Town Clerk.

Warden and Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The ballot box was inspected, found empty and locked and keys turned over to the police officer.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting and at 10 o'clock A. M., the Polls were declared open. The Polls closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Ballot Box registered 172 Ballots cast and voting lists showed 172 names checked.

168 Republican and 4 Democratic.

The results of the balloting was as follows, viz:

REPUBLICAN

Governor

Robert F. Bradford	128
Edward M. Rowe	35
Blanks	5

Lieutenant Governor

Arthur W. Coolidge	152
Blanks	16

Secretary

Frederic W. Cook	155
Blanks	13

Treasurer

Laurence Curtis	151
Blanks	17

Auditor

Douglas Lawson	32
Edwin L. Olander, Jr.	49
Wallace E. Stearns	7
Russell A. Wood	61
Blanks	19

Attorney General

Clarence A. Barnes	153
Blanks	15

Senator In Congress

Leverett Saltonstall	151
Blanks	17

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Congressman—14th District

Joseph William Martin, Jr.	155
Blanks	13

Councillor—3rd District

Otis M. Whitney	138
Walter H. McCarron, Sr.	6
Blanks	24

Senator—Middlesex and Norfolk District

Charles W. Olson	131
J. Robert Ayers	31
Blanks	6

Representative in General Court—9th Norfolk District

Clarence F. Telford	161
Blanks	7

Registrar of Probate and Insolvency—Norfolk County

Alfred E. Henderson	138
Blanks	30

County Commissioners—Norfolk County

Russell T. Bates	110
James I. Forsyth	78
Joseph S. Kennedy	22
W. Homer Melville	17
Clayton W. Nash	25
Lawrence F. Power	19
Blanks	65

County Treasurer—Norfolk County

Ralph D. Pettingell	136
Harold P. Newell	18
Blanks	14

Clerk of Courts—Norfolk County (To fill vacancy)

Willard E. Everett	145
Blanks	23

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Governor

Paul A. Dever	4
Maurice J. Tobin	0
Blanks	0

Lieutenant Governor

Edward P. Barry	1
Benedict F. FitzGerald, Jr.	0
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	3
Blanks	0

Secretary

Edward J. Cronin	2
Jerome Patrick Troy	2

Treasurer

John E. Hurley	4
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Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley	4
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Attorney General

Enrico Cappucci	2
John F. Kelley	0
Francis E. Kelly	0
Patrick Gilbert Sullivan	2

Senator In Congress

John I. Fitzgerald	1
Francis D. Harrigan	1
Joseph A. Langone, Jr.	0
John D. Lynch	0
Richard M. Russell	2

Congressman—14th District

Joseph M. Mendonca	4
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Councillor—3rd District

Donald B. Falvey, Jr. 4

Senator—Middlesex and Norfolk District

Blanks 4

Representative In General Court 9th Norfolk District

Blanks 4

Register of Probate and Insolvency Norfolk County

Blanks 4

County Commissioners—Vote for Two Norfolk County

Blanks 8

County Treasurer—Norfolk County

Blanks 4

Clerk of Courts—To fill vacancy Norfolk County

Blanks 4

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in Town Hall Building,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1948

at 8:00 o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following article, viz:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00, or any other sum, for the carrying on of the Old Age Assistance payments for the balance of the year, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Hereof fail not to make due returns of this Warrant and your doings thereon to the Town Clerk in conformity with the Public Statutes at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Twenty-first day of September, A. D., 1948.

RALPH E. CROWELL
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Selectmen of Plainville

Attest: HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable.

This 24th Day of September, 1948.

Plainville, Mass., Sept. 24, 1948.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrant in 7 public places in the Town of Plainville, Mass., 8 days before the time of said meeting.

HERBERT A. MORSE,
Police Officer.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of September, 1948.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Town Hall, Plainville, Mass., October 4, 1948

A Special Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall, Monday, October 4, 1948.

Moderator Clarence F. Telford called the meeting to order at 8:10 P. M., 29 present.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting.

Article 1. Motion by Ralph E. Crowell, and unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00, for the carrying on of the Old Age Assistance payments for the balance of the year.

Adjourned 8:15 P. M.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Plainville to meet in Town Hall in said Plainville, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1948

at 6 o'clock A. M. it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month, then and there to give their votes for the following offices:

For Presidential Electors: Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary of the Commonwealth; Treasurer and Receiver-General; Auditor of the Commonwealth; Attorney General; Senator In Congress for this Commonwealth; Representative In Congress for the 14th Congressional District; Councillor for the Third Councillor District; Senator for the Middlesex and Norfolk Senatorial District; One Representative In General Court for the Ninth Norfolk Representative District; Register of Probate and Insolvency; County Commissioners (2); County Treasurer; Clerk of Courts (to fill vacancy) for Norfolk County.

And also to vote "YES" or "NO" on the following questions:

Question No. 1. Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 28, 1945, received 227 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in joint session of the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 232 votes in the affirmative and 8 in the negative?

Summary—This proposed amendment to the Constitution adds to the declaration of the rights of the inhabitants, as now

set forth in the Constitution, the following: "The right of free speech shall not be abridged."

Question No. 2. Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 220 votes in the affirmative and 28 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 228 votes in the affirmative and 5 in the negative?

Summary—This proposed amendment to the constitution provides that the use of revenue from fees, duties, excises or licence taxes relating to the registration, operation or use of vehicles on public highways or to fuels for propelling such vehicles, except revenue from any excise tax imposed for the privilege of registering such vehicles in lieu of local property taxes, shall be for highway purposes only.

Question No. 3. Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 243 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 3, 1948, received 231 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative?

Summary—This is an amendment of Article XVII of the Amendments to the Constitution. It provides that in case of a failure to elect the secretary, treasurer and receiver general, auditor or attorney general of the Commonwealth, or in case of the death of a person elected to any such offices between the day of election and the third Wednesday of the following January, such an officer shall be chosen by a joint ballot of the senators and representatives from the people at large, instead of from the two persons who had the highest number of votes at the election as is now required. It also provides that if there is a vacancy in any of such offices during a session of the Legislature the vacancy shall be filled in like manner by choice from the people at large, but if the vacancy occurs at any other time it shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council.

Question No. 4. Do you approve of a law summarized

below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 84 in the affirmative and 130 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 15 in the affirmative and 22 in the negative?

Summary—This measure by amending General Laws (Ter. Ed.), Chapter 272, Section 21 provides that the provisions of Sections 20 and 21 of said Chapter 272 which make it an offense to advertise or give information as to the procurement of means for the prevention of pregnancy or conception shall not apply to treatment or prescription given to married women by registered physicians for protection of life or health.

Question No. 5. Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 5 in the affirmative and 203 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 36 in the negative?

Summary—This measure prohibits the denial of the opportunity to obtain or retain employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization and prohibits agreements which exclude any person from employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization. Violation of the provisions of the measure is made an offense punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

Question No. 6. Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 82 in the affirmative and 126 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 13 in the affirmative and 20 in the negative?

Summary—This measure requires that elections of officers of labor organizations shall be held at least annually. Sixty days' notice of a regular election and twenty days' notice of an election to fill one or more vacancies are required to be given by public announcement at a regular meeting, by notice in writing to each member, or in any other adequate manner. Candidates to be voted for must be nominated by a paper signed by ten members filed at least ten days before an election to fill a vacancy.

The voting at such an election must be by secret written

or printed ballot. Watchers appointed by nominating members and by union officers may be present during the voting and counting of ballots.

Coercion and intimidation of members in connection with an election is prohibited, and violations of the provisions of the measure are made punishable by fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both.

Question No. 7. Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 95 in the affirmative and 110 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 14 in the affirmative and 18 in the negative?

Summary—This measure prohibits the calling of a strike by a labor organization in any business or plant or unit thereof, except when authorized by the vote of the majority of all the members of the organization employed in the business, plant or unit thereof. Such authorization is to be expressed by a secret written or printed ballot at a meeting called for that purpose.

The Labor Relations Commission is authorized to make rules for the conduct of the voting. Within twenty-four hours after the voting the labor organization conducting it shall make a written report of the result to the commission, which shall be a permanent public record. If no report is filed the vote taken shall be void and a person making a false report shall be guilty of perjury.

Coercion and intimidation of members of a labor organization in connection with such voting is made a penal offense.

Question No. 8. Is it desirable that the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States,

“Article—Section 1. No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President

more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may be holding the office of President, or acting as President, during the term within which this Article becomes operative from holding the office of President or acting as President during the remainder of such term.

"Section 2. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress,"—be ratified by the general court?

Question No. 9. A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

The Polls will be open from 6 o'clock A. M. to 8 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posted attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Eighth Day of October, A. D., 1948.

RALPH E. CROWELL
- SYDNEY J. ANDREWS
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN
Selectmen of Plainville.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

This is to attest that I posted 7 copies of the within Warrants in 7 public places 7 days before the said meeting in the Town of Plainville, Mass.

HERBERT A. MORSE, Police Officer.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of October, 1948.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF STATE ELECTION

The State Election was held in the Town Hall, Plainville, Tuesday, November 2, 1948.

Ballot Clerks: Nellie King, Mary J. Oldham. Tellers: Frank King, Alice Ribero, Dacia Anderson, F. Sumner Turner, Ruth Fulton, Harold Anderson. Ballot Box Officer: Courtland Fairbanks. Police Officer: Ralph French.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by Town Clerk.

Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Ballot Box was inspected, found empty, locked by Town Clerk, and keys turned over to the Police Officer.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting and at 6 A. M. the polls were declared open. The polls closed at 8 P. M.

Total number of Ballots cast: 944 and 944 names were checked on the voting lists.

Regular Ballots	929
Absentee Ballots	14
War Ballots	1
Total	944

The results of the Balloting was as follows:

PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT

Dewey and Warren, Republican	688
Teichert and Emery, Socialist Labor	3
Truman and Barkley, Democratic	230
Wallace and Taylor, Progressive	8
Watson and Learn, Prohibition	3
Blanks	12

GOVERNOR

Robert F. Bradford, Republican	627
Paul A. Dever, Democratic	282
Horace I. Hillis, Socialist Labor	2
Mark R. Shaw, Prohibition	3
Blanks	30

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Arthur W. Coolidge, Republican	668
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan, Democratic	223
Lawrence Gilfedder, Socialist Labor	6
Guy S. Williams, Prohibition	1
Blanks	46

SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook, Republican	698
Edward J. Cronin, Democratic	184
Cote E. Palmquist, Socialist Labor	4
Blanks	58

TREASURER

Laurence Curtis, Republican	683
John E. Hurley, Democratic	201
Harold J. Ireland, Prohibition	1
Malcolm T. Rowe, Socialist Labor	5
Blanks	54

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AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley, Democratic	257
Russell A. Wood, Republican	613
Robert A. Simmons, Prohibition	2
Francis A. Votano, Socialist Labor	5
Blanks	67

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Clarence A. Barnes, Republican	694
Francis E. Kelly, Democratic	192
Anthony Martin, Socialist Labor	5
Blanks	53

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Leverett Saltonstall, Republican	715
John I. Fitzgerald, Democratic	176
Henning A. Blomen, Socialist Labor	5
E. Tallmadge Root, Prohibition	1
Blanks	47

CONGRESSMAN—14th District

Joseph William Martin, Jr., Republican	774
Joseph M. Mendonca, Democratic	136
Blanks	34

COUNCILLOR—3rd District

Otis M. Whitney, Republican	676
Donald B. Falvey, Jr., Democratic	166
Blanks	102

SENATOR

Middlesex and Norfolk District

Charles W. Olson, Republican	751
Blanks	193

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

9th Norfolk District

Clarence F. Telford, Republican	866
Blanks	78

REGISTER OF PROBATE and INSOLVENCY
Norfolk County

Alfred E. Henderson, Republican	749
Blanks	195

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Norfolk County

Russell T. Bates, Republican	716
Clayton W. Nash, Republican	556
Blanks	616

COUNTY TREASURER
Norfolk County

Ralph D. Pettingell, Republican	758
Blanks	186

CLERK OF COURTS
Norfolk County (To fill vacancy)

Willard E. Everett, Republican	762
Blanks	182

QUESTION NO. 1
Free Speech

Yes	605
No	61
Blanks	278

QUESTION NO. 2
Revenue for Highways

Yes	594
No	64
Blanks	286

QUESTION NO. 3
Election of Certain State Officers

Yes	526
No	66
Blanks	352

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QUESTION NO. 4

Birth Control

Yes	460
No	302
Blanks	182

QUESTION NO. 5

Denial of Employment

Yes	318
No	382
Blanks	244

QUESTION NO. 6

Election of Officers of Labor Unions

Yes	404
No	264
Blanks	276

QUESTION NO. 7

Calling a Strike

Yes	424
No	250
Blanks	270

QUESTION NO. 8

Election of President

Yes	456
No	167
Blanks	321

QUESTION NO. 9

A. All Alcoholic

Yes	598
No	198
Blanks	148

B. Beer and Wine

Yes	592
No	176
Blanks	176

C. Package Stores

Yes	599
No	168
Blanks	177

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1948

Date	Name	Parents
1947		
December		
2—	Alda Marie Lumnah	Norman Henry-Rose Alma Lauretta Degrenia
15—	Stephen Elsworth Stafford, Jr.	Stephen E.-Edythe A. Kettell
16—	Donna Marie Perreault	Parker Robert-Jessica Veronica Thornton
17—	Bruce Ralph Bumpus	Paul Woodrow-Ruth Edna Skinner
24—	Donald Wallace Everett, Jr.	Donald Wallace-June Barker
1948		
January		
16—	Janet Maria Plante	Emile Arthur-Catherine Iaconis
March		
8—	Linda Lee Larson	Robert Roy-Florence Nightingale Slade
15—	Mary Patricia Bedard	Henry R.-Dorothy MacLeod
21—	Carol Lyn Hamilton	Carroll Austin-Marilyn Thomasen
24—	Brian Pearson Kinch	Frederick C.-Edna Riding
April		
23—	Beth Victoria Barrows	Benjamin W., Jr.-Barbara Morse
24—	Florence Elsie French	Alton Everett-Elsie Stetson Minchew
May		
9—	Carol Benker	Robert Warren-Doris Ruperta Riley
June		
11—	Baby Plattner	William Byram-Ruth Adeline Levis
20—	Stephen Paul Henrich	Irving Christian-Jean Washburn
July		
3—	Alan William Plante	Alfred L.-Dorothy Ellen Telford
5—	George MacInnis Shepard, Jr.	George MacInnis-Dorothy May Mathewson
13—	Patricia Maude Weagle	Albert Francis-Willa Maude Cheever
16—	Nicholas William Reybrook, Jr.	Nicholas William-Marie Jacqueline Keenan

August

- 2—Robert Michael Bedard
Robert Gerald-Christine Frances Mooney
9—Chester Allen Davis
Chester Herbert, Jr.-Rita Bernadette Nantell
12—Walter Stephen Allen
Joseph Frank-Florence Ruth Dorothy
18—Carol Ann Smith John Howard-Rose Hannah Larkin
19—Jacqueline Alexina Baker
Florent Emile Joseph-Rosemarie Caron
19—Arthur Wilfred Lemire
Fred Raphael-Josephine A. Rodrick
26—Baby Fortier Raymond Nelson-Mildred Elsie Henrich

September

- | | |
|----------------------------|---|
| 12—Elliott Raynor Atkinson | Albert Raynor-Phyllis Elliott Burton |
| 16—Janice Boucher | James Leo-Constance Boelker |
| 20—Marliene Dow | Jeremiah G.-Betty Ella Carter |
| 22—Sandra Christine Doran | John Philip-Rita Joan Hefferan |
| 27—Ann Elizabeth Grocut | William S.-Elizabeth F. Maddocks |
| 29—Robert Kenneth Darling | Kenneth Hamilton-Juliet Constance LaCasse |

October

- 1—Victoria Diane Kapolchok
Henry Edward-Helen Mary Babiec
10—Janice Margaret Rossi
Rudolph-Dorothy Hewitt

November

- 15—Roger Albert Fontaine
Wilfred Fredrick-Blanche Delia Clairmont
18—Stephen Martin Hurkett William Nelson-Rachel Tobyne
22—Ralph Edward Arns Otto Herman-Haroldine M. Chace

A true copy. Attest:

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN.

Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1948

Date	Name	Married By
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1948**February**

- 5—George A. Clarke, Plainville
 Gertrude V. Logan (Rose), Plainville
 Walter R. Briggs, Justice of the Peace
- 14—George Henry MacLeod Massey, Norfolk
 Beatrice May Sylvia, Plainville; Robert S. Beecher, Rector

March

- 6—Charles W. Sarakin, Plainville
 Virginia V. Smith, Plainville
 Frederick G. Flewelling, Minister of the Gospel
- 27—Robert William Hayes, Plainville
 Phebe Elizabeth Thresher, Pawtucket, R. I.
 Harold L. Hutton, Clergyman

April

- 10—Courtland F. Fairbanks, Plainville
 Maud A. Gray (McLaughlin), Pawtucket
 John M. Bowmar, Clergyman

May

- 1—John J. Pasquantonio, Franklin
 Barbara Elizabeth Ralston, Plainville
 John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 1—James F. Hevey, Attleboro Falls
 Violet Mae Armitage, Plainville
 Robert L. Stanton, Priest
- 5—Fritz R. Bliven, Plainville
 Helene C. Dietz, North Attleboro
 Robert C. Metters, Clergyman
- 8—Walter McKechnie, Plainville
 Beverley Ann Adams, North Attleboro
 Arthur G. Considine, Priest

June

- 26—William H. Barton, Plainville
 Mabel S. Gray (Brown) Foxboro
 John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 26—William Clinton Stigall, North Attleboro
 Marjorie Rose Anderson, Plainville
 Andrew F. O'Brien, Priest

- 26—Eric F. Renner, Plainville
Mary E. Baker, North Attleboro
Arthur G. Considine, Priest
- 26—Thomas J. Sarakin, Plainville
Evelyn L. Willis, Walpole, Mass.
Frederick G. Flewelling, Minister of the Gospel

July

- 2—William I. Elliott, Pawtucket, R. I.
Mary Theresa Gervais, Plainville
Rev. Charles X. Leahy, Priest
- 3—Joseph A. Robertshaw, Howard, R. I.
Mabel Ann Davies, Plainville
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 3—Harry Elmer Blake, Plainville
Annie Mae Easton (Bird), Attleboro
John E. Wood, Clergyman
- 24—Robert Leslie McLacklan, Jr., Plainville
Ruth Elaine Everett, Plainville
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman

September

- 25—George Albert Schauerte, Dedham, Mass.
Mildred Yvonne Voyer, Plainville
Rev. Charles X. Leahy, Priest
- 25—Arnold White, Plainville
Alice Lorraine Caron, North Attleboro
Arthur G. Considine, Priest

October

- 2—Gordon Stuart Proal, Plainville
Clare T. Begley, Lakeville, Mass.
John W. Morrissey, Priest
- 19—Paul Hugh Graves, North Attleboro
Vilma Faith Kettell, Plainville
Albert J. Hallington, Clergyman

November

- 27—Leland O. Welsh, Worcester, Mass.
Gloria Rita Peck, Plainville
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman

December

- 8—Harry W. Peace, Attleboro, Mass.
Victoria S. Peck (Greenwood), Plainville
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman

DEATHS RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1948

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mo.	Day	Cause of Death
Oct. 1, 1947—	Annie S. Shepardson (Fales)	101	7	11	Chronic Myocarditis
Dec. 17, 1947—	Christian Hartman	87	11	17	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
Jan. 15, 1948—	Leslie G. Young	62		19	Coronary Thrombosis
Feb. 27, 1948—	Mary E. Munro (Brislin)	66			Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 21, 1948—	Richard H. Berkley	63	3	21	Prostatic Obstruction
May 16, 1948—	Mary M. Phillips (Kempton)	78	4	29	Cerebral Embolism
May 19, 1948—	Henry Taylor	74	1	23	Chronic Myocarditis
June 11, 1948—	Walter H. Beetlestone	52	4	13	Coronary Thrombosis
June 11, 1948—	Baby Girl Plattner (15 minutes)				Erythema-blastosis
June 27, 1948—	Harry W. Cooper	71			Coronary Heart Disease
July 5, 1948—	Frank A. Carrier	59	4	29	Carcinoma of the stomach
July 15, 1948—	Ruby Una Whent (Stephen)	42	9	7	Metastatic cancer of the liver
Aug. 3, 1948—	Mabel E. Hunt (Enches)	77	11	17	Coronary Heart Disease
Aug. 11, 1948—	Francis Otis Corbin	74	2	8	Coronary Thrombosis
Aug. 27, 1948—	Baby Girl Fortier			1	Asphyxia Meonatorum
Sept. 6, 1948—	Eleanor Ruth Easterbrooks	10	11	22	Chronic Mastoditis
Sept. 8, 1948—	Herbert Barrows	69			Heart Failure-Cirrhosis of Liver
Oct. 12, 1948—	Mary Knox McIntosh	82	7	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Nov. 10, 1948—	L. Agnes Peachy (Butler)	88	2	8	Cancer of Large Intestines
Nov. 14, 1948—	Florence M. Hutchinson (Pherson)	71	6	9	Cerebral Hemorrhage

Nov. 20, 1948—Thomas Benson Armitage	41	9	18	Collapsed left lung (auto accident)
Nov. 23, 1948—Anna Mae Goyette (Muller)	75	4	9	Coronary Occlusion
Nov. 27, 1948—Sidney Arthur Maddocks	50	11	28	Cerebral Thrombosis
Dec. 5, 1948—Irene Paul	37			Agranulocytosis
Dec. 20, 1948—Alfred Felici	61	7	15	Portal cirrhosis of liver
Dec. 22, 1948—Elmer D. Fish	55			Acute Intestinal Obstruction
Dec. 28, 1948—Robert G. Munroe	81	11	27	Mesentery Embolism of Cardiac Renal Disease

A true copy. Attest:

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk

LICENSE FEES RECEIVED BY TOWN CLERK

FOR YEAR 1948

Number of Dogs licensed	248		\$589.00
1 Breeders' License	@	\$50.00	50.00
7 Breeders' Licenses	@	10.00	70.00
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		\$	709.00
Less fees			51.20
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		\$	657.80
8 Common Victuallers'	@	\$ 3.00	\$ 24.00
5 Lord's Day	@	3.00	15.00
14 Sale of Gasoline	@	1.00	14.00
4 Amusement	@	1.00	4.00
3 Sunday Amusement	@	3.00	9.00
2 Used Car License No. 2	@	15.00	30.00
1 Used Car License No. 3	@	15.00	15.00
2 Auctioneers'	@	2.00	4.00
1 Junk	@	25.00	25.00
1 Manicuring	@	1.00	1.00
1 Storage of Dynamite	@	2.00	2.00
9 Denatured Alcohol	@	1.00	9.00
1 Alcoholic Beverage (part year)	@	250.00	250.00
1 Pasteurization	@	10.00	10.00
3 Overnight Cabins	@	.50	1.50
1 Overnight Cabin Applica.	@	3.00	3.00
1 Manufac. Ice Cream Mix	@	5.00	5.00
4 Lodging House	@	1.00	4.00
1 Slaughtering	@	1.00	1.00
1 Manufacture Sausage Meat	@	3.00	3.00
17 One-Day Beer and Wine	@	1.00	17.00
1 Package Store (part year)	@	5.00	5.00
1 Package Store (Alcoholic)	@	250.00	250.00
1 Firearms	@	5.00	5.00
5 Storage of Gasoline	@	1.00	5.00
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			711.50

1949 Licenses Received in 1948:

2 Club Licenses; All Alcoholic	@	500.00	1,000.00
1 Innholder " "	@	500.00	500.00
1 Restaurant " "	@	500.00	500.00
1 Restaurant, Beer & Wine	@	200.00	200.00

2 Pkg. Stores, Beer & Wine	@	100.00	200.00	
4 Common Victuallers'	@	3.00	12.00	
1 Innholder	@	5.00	5.00	
4 Amusement	@	1.00	4.00	
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				2,421.00

Amount turned over to Town Treasurer:	\$	3,790.30
Fishing Licenses	440	
Hunting Licenses	88	
Sporting Licenses	182	
Fishing, Female and Minor	91	
Trapping Licenses	15	
Trapping Licenses, Minor	5	
Fishing Licenses, Special	7	
Fishing, Non-Resident	32	
Hunting Licenses, Non-Resident	5	
Sporting Licenses, Resident Free	20	
Sporting Licenses, Resident, Military and Naval Free	3	
Duplicate	2	
Sporting Licenses, Non-Resident, Mili- tary and Naval	2	
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Total	892	

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Plainville, Mass.,

March 2, 1948

To Charles S. Cobb of said Plainville—

Sir:

By virtue of the authority in me vested, with full power of revocation, I do hereby appoint you Assistant Town Clerk of said Plainville, with all powers, duties and authority appertaining to said office.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

For Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount
Jan. 21—Curtis, 1000, Inc., (Envelopes)		21.72
Feb. 26—Arthur W. Washburn (Vital Statistics)		101.00
Apr. 12—Mass. Town Clerk's Ass'n (Dues)		3.00
July 28—Robinson Seal Co., Inc. (Certificates)	6.12	
The Valentine Company (Billheads)	1.00	
Postage	5.00	
		<hr/> 12.12
Aug. 17—The Valentine Co. (Books & Supplies)		6.95
Sept. 9—The Valentine Co. (Supplies)		4.00
Oct. 11—Typing	5.00	
Postage	5.00	
		<hr/> 10.00
Dec. 10—The Chronicle Company	9.00	
Postage	10.00	
		<hr/> 19.00
Dec. 20—Arthur W. Washburn (Salary)		300.00
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		\$ 477.79
Appropriation	\$500.00	
Expended	477.79	
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Balance	\$ 22.21	

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk.

SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION

On August 30, 1948, the Registration for Selective Service started in Plainville.

The number of young men registered to date is 109, of which 77 are residents of Plainville, and 32 non-residents.

I wish at this time to express the appreciation of myself and the Town of Plainville to the following women who so ably assisted me in this registration:

Nellie C. Smith	Dacia A. Anderson
Grace C. Falk	Mary E. Oldham
Louise H. Peasley	Ruth R. Fulton
Harriet F. Washburn	

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Chief Registrar

REPORT OF BOARD OF REGISTRAR'S EXPENSES

For Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount
Feb. 26—	Ruth R. Fulton (Typing Street Lists)	\$15.00
Dec. 7—	Hobbs & Warren (Listing Materials)	31.73
Salaries:		
	Frank King	\$ 75.00
	Harold L. Anderson	75.00
	Arthur W. Washburn	75.00
	Dacia A. Anderson	62.50
	Edward T. Brady	12.50
		<hr/> 300.00
		<hr/> \$ 346.73
	Appropriation	\$ 350.00
	Expended	346.73
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	Balance	\$ 3.27

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Plainville:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report as Collector of Taxes for the year ending December 31, 1948.

1947 Account

	Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	Collected	Abated	Uncollected Jan. 1, 1949
Personal	\$ 672.75	\$586.92	13.30	\$72.53
Real Estate	5,473.16	5,324.20	56.05	92.91
Motor Vehicle				
Excise	297.64			
M. V. Ex. Jan. Warrant	29.70	327.34	272.51	54.83

1948 Account

	Assessors' Warrants	Total	Collected	Abated	Uncollected
Personal	10,634.85	10,634.85	9,654.49	152.62	827.74
Poll	\$1,236.00	\$1,236.00	\$1,188.00	\$48.00	
Real Estate	55,374.74	55,405.14	49,684.74	523.72	5,196.68
Dec. Warrant	30.40				

Recapitulation

	67,275.99	67,275.99	60,527.23	724.34	6,024.42
M. V. Excise	8,191.30	8,191.30	7,723.09	235.20	233.01

			1947	1948
Interest collected and paid Treasurer			\$137.78	\$4.53
Charges collected and Paid Treasurer			30.80	44.45

Collector's Expense Account

Appropriation	\$200.00
Expended	195.29
Unexpended balance	\$ 4.71

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. WICKMAN,
Collector of Taxes

**REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1948.

Scales	Not		Sealing		Total
	Adj.	Sealed	Sealed	Fee	
Platform, 100-5,000 lbs.	2		5	\$.50	\$2.50
Counter under 100 lbs.			3	.10	.90
Spring under 100 lbs.	2		9	.10	.90
Computing under 100 lbs.	1	3	5	.10	.50
Personal Weighing			2	.50	1.00
Weights:					
Avoirdupois	5		31	.03	.93
Capacity Measures:					
Liquid under 1 gal.			9	.03	.27
Automatic Measuring Devices:					
Gasoline Meters	2		20	.50	10.00
Tank Truck Meters	2		3	1.00	3.00
Oil Measuring Pumps			1	.10	.10
Grease Measuring Pumps			13	.10	1.30
Totals	14	3	101		20.80

Reweighing of Commodities Put Up For Sale

Beans 8; Bread 12; Lard 5; Flour 5; Potatoes 7; Butter 6; Grain 5; Coal 1.

Cash Paid to Town Treasurer		\$20.80
Appropriation	\$75.00	
Salary	\$50.00	
Transportation and		
Supplies	25.00	75.00

Respectfully submitted,

ADRIAN G. WHEELER,
Sealer

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 18, 1949

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

The Treasurer's Report for the Town of Plainville is submitted herewith for the accounting or financial period beginning January 1, 1948 and ending December 31, 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD OSTERHOLM,

Treasurer

Receipts

Tax levy of 1947	\$ 5,911.12
Tax levy of 1948	60,527.23
Refunds, departmental	140.85
State and County Aid to Highways	8,192.58
Highway, machinery reserve	1,783.00
Dog tax collections	657.80
Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	9,708.96
Aid to Dependent Children	170.79
Anticipation of revenue note	10,000.00
Estimated receipts (see schedule)	53,940.49
Total Receipts	151,032.82

Cash balance January 1, 1948	38,135.89
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189,168.71

Disbursements

Poll tax refund	\$ 2.00
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance	9,199.82
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance Adm.	248.42
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children	184.30
Federal Grant, Dependent Children Adm.	18.00
Motor Vehicle excise tax refunds	22.28
Cash abatements	125.40
Dog tax to County	659.60

Anticipation of revenue note	10,000.00
Post War Rehabilitation, bonds	10,000.00
Appropriation payments (see schedule)	139,825.60
Accounts payable, 1947 accounts	2,207.63

Total Disbursements	172,493.05
Add: cash balance Dec. 31, 1948	16,675.66

189,168.71

December 31, 1948

Schedule of Estimated Receipts

From State of Massachusetts:

Supt. of small towns	\$1,538.29
Income tax, general	9,927.19
Income tax, corporation and business	8,553.86
Income tax, school fund	4,005.53
High School tuition	1,250.00
Old Age Assistance	9,635.91
Meal taxes	552.80
Department of Agriculture	30.00
Aid to Dependent Children	137.38
Veterans Service	109.45
Re-imbursement of taxes	10.13
Public Health	104.29
Vocational Education	76.00
Tuition	234.00
Public Service	39.69

Total from State of Massachusetts

36,204.52

Other Receipts:

Charges, collectors	\$ 73.53
Interest, collectors	140.79
Excise taxes levy of 1947	272.51
Excise taxes levy of 1948	7,723.09
Tax Title redemptions	175.00
Tax Possessions sales	40.00
Water rates and supplies	4,980.79
District Court fines	15.00
Dog fund from County	537.49
Tuition—Wrentham	129.47

Re-imbusement, Old Age Assistance	79.36	
Lease	400.00	
Insurance refunds	71.91	
Rents—Town hall	131.00	
Bridge repair, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	782.58	
Milk licenses	17.50	
Sale of wood—highway	20.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	20.80	
Town Clerk, licenses	2,122.50	
Cash sales, school	2.65	
Total other receipts	<hr/>	17,735.97
Total of Estimated Receipts		<hr/> \$53,940.49

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS — DECEMBER 31, 1948

Accounts	Appropriations	Refunds and Transfers	Payments and Charges	Balances
Library	\$ 550.00	\$	550.00	.....
Selectmen's account	2,000.00	.....	1,998.21	1.79
Treasurer's account	800.00	.....	776.44	23.56
Town Clerk	500.00	.....	477.79	22.21
Assessors	1,100.00	.....	1,007.72	92.28
Collector of Taxes	800.00	.....	795.29	4.71
Registrars	350.00	.....	346.73	3.27
Town Auditor	75.00	.....	75.00	....
Sealer of Weights and Measures	75.00	.....	75.00	....
Insurance	1,900.00	.....	1,842.93	57.07
Welfare	1,300.00	180.67	1,480.67	....
Aid Dependent Children	300.00	.....	238.00	62.00
Old Age Assistance	15,500.00	106.05	15,606.05	....
Veterans Benefits	200.00	223.10	423.10	....
Highways, center of town	2,000.00	1,503.00	3,502.35	.65
Memorial Day Observance	150.00	.....	148.00	2.00
Interest payments	200.00	.....	102.79	97.21
Fire Department	2,700.00	.....	2,667.07	32.93
Street Lights	4,650.00	.....	4,597.35	52.65
Water Department	4,300.00	.....	4,300.00	....
Board of Health	1,900.00	.....	1,510.25	389.75
Police Department	2,700.00	.....	2,698.60	1.40
Tree Warden	300.00	.....	297.24	2.76

Removal of Snow	8,000.00	447.18	8,447.18	....
Park Commissioners	1,000.00	.....	671.83	328.17
Support of Schools	46,191.00	11.60	46,196.53	6.07
Town Forest	75.00	.....	71.17	3.83
Town Office Building	850.00	.....	849.97	.03
Maturing Debt	2,000.00	.....	2,000.00	....
Welfare Agent	430.00	.....	430.00	....
Officials Bonds	155.00	.....	155.00	....
Moth Department	1,000.00	.....	907.25	92.75
County Hospital Maintenance	945.27	.....	945.27	....
Highway, Chapter 90	500.00	997.76	1,496.63	1.13
Highway, Chapter 81	4,300.00	7,393.07	11,646.17	46.90
Foreclosing Tax Titles	.....	321.44	40.61	280.83
Water, Walnut Street	.....	3,745.40	3,743.95	1.45
Fire Equipment Purchase	.....	12,000.00	12,000.00	....
Platting of Town	.....	50.00	.....	50.00
Town Library Committee	.....	100.00	.....	100.00
School Building Committee	.....	281.80	.....	281.80
State and County Taxes	.....	2,657.92	2,827.41	R 169.49
Water, Potter Avenue	.....	262.16	262.00	.16
Town Dump	200.00	.....	194.28	5.72
Edward Roy, refund	20.00	.....	20.00	....
Painting Fire Station	350.00	.....	325.00	25.00
Norfolk County Retirement	278.77	.....	278.77	....
Repairs Town Hall	800.00	.....	800.00	.....
Totals	\$111,445.04	30,281.15	139,825.60	1,900.59
R—Underestimate				

TREASURER'S REPORT — DECEMBER 31, 1948

Statement of Condition

Assets	Statement of Condition	Liabilities and Reserves
Cash, general account	\$16,675.66	Federal Grants:
Accounts Receivable:		Old Age Assistance
Tax levy 1947	165.44	Old Age Assistance Adm.
Tax levy 1948	6,024.42	Aid Dependent Children
Motor Vehicle Excise:		Aid Dependent Children Adm.
Levy 1948	233.01	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:
Tax Title and Possessions:		Motor Vehicle Excise
Tax Titles	74.69	Tax Titles
Tax Possessions	609.28	Tax Possession
Departmental:		Water Rates and Supplies
Water Rates and Supplies	1,315.51	State and County Aid—Highways
Highway, Chapter 81	7,393.07	Overlay Reserved—Abatements:
Highway, Chapter 90	997.76	Abatements 1947 tax levy
Revenue Account:		Abatements 1948 tax levy
Special Town Meeting	4,000.00	Overlay Surplus
		Road Machinery Reserve
		Appropriation Balances
		Surplus Revenue
	<hr/> \$37,488.84	<hr/> \$37,488.84

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$4,000.00

Municipal Building Loan

\$4,000.00

DEBT ACCOUNT

Trust Fund, cash
Post War Rehabilitation Income
Post War Rehabilitation Bonds
Library Fund, cash

\$ 727.30

764.16

30,000.00

4,093.23

School Fund

Post War Rehabilitation

Stabilization Fund

\$ 727.30

30,764.16

4,093.23

\$35,584.69

\$35,584.69

EDWARD OSTERHOLM, Treasurer

JURY LIST

Town of Plainville, Massachusetts

July 1948 — July 1949

Name	Address	Occupation
Bacheller, Milton H.,	Warren Street	Toolmaker
Barton, William H.,	W. Bacon Street	Shipper
Berkley, Richard G.,	Maple Street	Machinist
Bliven, Harold,	Hancock Street	Architect
Cate, Clayton E.,	Pleasant Street	Sign Painter
Clarke, Raymond D.,	W. Bacon Street	Jeweler
Cole, Stanley G.,	South Street	Service Man
Dittrich, William F.,	The Island	Coppersmith
Gardner, George F.,	South Street	Purchasing Agent
Hemmingsen, Ralph H.,	South Street	Jeweler
Henry, Edward A.,	Potter Avenue	Service Manager
Lomasney, David B.,	Potter Avenue	Dry Cleaner
Myers, Stanley, E.	Bacon Street	Timekeeper
Nowick, Valentine L.,	Spring Street	Engraver
Patton, Dwight M.,	South Street	Clerk
Pierce, George E., Jr.,	High Street	Insurance Agent
Roessler, Albert C.,	Elm Avenue	Store Clerk
Tremblay, John F.,	South Street	Jeweler

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
School Committee
of
PLAINVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS



For Year Ending December 31, 1948



FRANK O. CORBIN

Died 1948

Graduated in the first class of Plainville High School 1890.

Member of the School Committee from 1920 to 1925 and from 1937 to 1941.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

School Committee

HARVEY C. MORSE, Chairman Term expires 1950
Telephone North Attleboro 294-W

CLINTON E. BARTON, Secretary Term expires 1949
Telephone North Attleboro 214-W

REV. JOHN M. BOWMAR Term expires 1951
Telephone North Attleboro 1116-W

Meeting of the School Committee is held in the office,
Town Hall Building, on the first Tuesday of each month.

Union Superintendent of School, Norton and Plainville

LAURENCE G. NOURSE
Residence Telephone, Norton 66
School Telephone, North Attleboro 385-R

Superintendent may be reached at the office in the Town
Hall Building every Tuesday, and other days by appointment.

Authorized to Issue Work Certificates

ROLAND L. WOLCOTT
Telephone, North Attleboro 385-R

School Physician

DR. JOHN T. COTTER
Telephone, North Attleboro 204

School Nurse

MRS. JANET W. CLAUDY
Telephone, North Attleboro 678-M

Attendance Officer

ELMER C. PEASE

SCHOOL CALENDAR—1948-1949**Elementary and High Schools:**

First term opens September 8, 1948
First term closes December 22, 1948
Second term opens January 3, 1949
Second term closes February 18, 1949
Third term opens February 28, 1949
Third term closes April 22, 1949
Fourth term opens May 2, 1949
Fourth term closes
 Elementary Schools June 17, 1949
 High Schools June 24, 1949

Holidays for all Schools:

October 12
October 29
November 11
November 24 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day)
November 25, 26
December 22 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day)
April 19
April 15, Good Friday
May 30

School Sessions:

Junior-Senior High School: Regular session 8:30 to 2:00.
Primary School: 9:00 to 11:45 and 1:00 to 3:00.

No School Signals:

7:30 A. M.—Three double blasts on fire alarm system signifies no school for all pupils for the day.
7:45 A. M.—Same signal signifies no school for primary pupils.
11:30 A. M.—Same signal signifies no school in the afternoon and Primary pupils will stay in school until 2:00 P. M.

Plainville NO SCHOOL signals are broadcast over radio stations WEAN 7:00 A. M. to 7:30 A. M. and 7:45; and 8:15 A. M. WBZ 7:00 A. M. to 8:00 A. M.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Plainville:

The past year has again added to our school enrollment and from a recent school survey, we can anticipate a much larger enrollment year by year. We have been fortunate in having all experienced Primary teachers remaining with us to cope with our oversized Elementary classes.

Mr. F. Sumner Turner, who has served for seven years as principal of our Junior-Senior High School, was deservedly awarded the Superintendency of the Northfield Schools.

The committee, after considering twenty-one candidates for principal, selected Mr. Roland L. Wolcott, of Cabot, Vermont, whom, we feel, will prove a valuable asset to our schools.

The need for a new Junior-Senior High School, of which we have reported for several years, is now urgent, and we hope the townspeople will take an active part in this expanding project.

We do not advocate any major repairs to our present Junior-Senior High School building because of the anticipation of a new building in the near future.

Last year, at the request of the Finance Committee, we postponed painting the Town Hall building, but for its preservation and appearance, we feel, it is essential this year.

The condition of the school yard has been carefully considered by this committee, and there is a definite need for having the front, sides, and rear of the Town Hall building graded and covered with a hard surface.

Under present conditions the increased costs of maintenance of the school plant and salaries of school personnel, the financial problem of the schools is a major consideration. Itemized school budget follows later in this report. We urge its careful consideration.

During the past year the town of Plainville and the Plainville Schools have lost two outstanding citizens and active supporters of its school program.

Mr. Frank O. Corbin was a graduate of the first class of the Plainville High School. As a member of the Plainville High School Alumni Association and a school committee member he has long been an outstanding leader in school activities and wholeheartedly devoted to the welfare of the schools.

Mr. Sidney A. Maddocks has been a faithful member of the school committee and other official town committees. He was active in the more recent extension of many of the school programs, particularly the development of the Junior High School. The loss of these men is recorded by the Plainville School Committee with sorrow and we wish to express, in behalf of the many young people who have been influenced by their faithful efforts, a word of sincere appreciation.

To our Superintendent, Mr. Laurence G. Nourse, who is completing his twenty-fifth year with us, we extend our sincere appreciation for his untiring efforts in our behalf; we have enjoyed his cooperation and willingness to work with us.

Also wish to thank the teaching staff and extend our appreciation for their cooperation during this past year.

We urge your careful study of the following reports.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY C. MORSE, Chairman

CLINTON E. BARTON, Secretary

JOHN M. BOWMAR

MONEY AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOLS IN 1948

Appropriation	\$46,191.00
Special Town Hall Appropriation	800.00
Interest on Town School Fund	11.60
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	47,002.60

Expenses

General Expenses:	
School Committee	120.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,934.05
School Union	200.04
Clerk and Miscellaneous	467.97
Expenses of Instruction	
Salaries, High and Elementary	28,045.66
Books and Supplies	2,378.38
Operation of School Plant	
Janitor	2,090.75
Fuel	2,708.72
Miscellaneous	1,318.67
Maintenance	1,378.42
Health	546.11
Transportation	3,186.67
Tuition	184.62
New Equipment	814.03
Town Hall	822.44
Town Hall, Special Appropriation	800.00
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Total	\$46,996.53
Balance	6.07

The Town Received on account of Schools:

	1947	1948
General School Funds, Part I	1,845.00	2,232.50
General School Funds, Part II	3,472.24	4,005.53
For Superintendent	772.09	766.20
For High School	1,250.00	1,250.00
For School Bus Transportation	1,545.00	1,741.11
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	8,884.33	\$9,995.34

	1947	1948
From Tuition: Jewelry School Pupils	\$41.84	76.00
From Tuition: Wrentham	125.56	
From Tuition: State		234.00
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	\$9,051.73	\$10,305.34
Total Expenditure	41,848.38	46,996.53
Receipts from outside sources	9,051.73	10,305.34

Expenditure by Town of Plainville \$32,796.65 \$36,691.19

Collections on Town Hall Account turned over to the Town Treasurer:

April 20, 1948	\$56.00
December 21, 1948	75.00
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	\$131.00

This amount goes into the Town Treasury and is not available for use on Town Hall or School accounts.

In the School Account above the Town Hall Expenditure is given as \$822.44. The distribution of this is as follows:

Janitor	\$120.00
Fuel	209.76
Plastering	192.35
New Oil Burner	275.00
Miscellaneous repairs	25.33
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	\$822.44

PLAINVILLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET 1949

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	Budget 1949	Expended 1948	Expended 1947	Expended 1946
School Committee	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00
Superintendent:				
Salary	2,000.00	1,934.05	1,899.96	1,658.28
School Union Travel	200.00	200.04	200.04	200.04
Clerk and Miscellaneous	375.00	467.97	436.56	295.68
Teachers' Salaries	32,750.00	28,045.66	27,135.14	23,693.13
Books and Supplies	2,310.00	2,378.38	1,976.03	1,776.60
Operation of School Plant:				
Janitor	2,592.00	2,090.75	2,150.20	1,915.75
Fuel	2,733.00	2,708.72	1,981.49	2,080.03
Miscellaneous	1,130.00	1,318.67	1,183.47	789.90
Maintenance	1,345.00	1,378.42	928.73	811.77
Health	620.00	546.11	520.63	492.31
Transportation	3,200.00	3,186.67	2,947.48	2,755.00
Tuition	360.00	184.62	104.15	156.26
New Equipment	330.00	814.03	264.50	284.15
Town Hall	520.00	822.44		
Town Hall, Special Appropriation		800.00		
	<u>\$50,585.00</u>	<u>\$46,996.53</u>	<u>\$41,848.38</u>	<u>\$37,028.90</u>

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Plainville School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my twenty-fifth annual report and the forty-second in the series of reports. The twenty-fifth report justifies some special summation of our educational undertakings.

Twenty-fifth Report**1. Educational Aims:**

The aims and objectives of education are today more clearly understood and are being more definitely sought after than in the past. The growth of these objectives from a simple statement of the three "R's" or the conventional subjects of the classical secondary school curriculum has been the outstanding development of the past twenty-five years. Locally, I believe, our schools have grown and progressed with this development. The basic accomplishments of both elementary and secondary education have not been changed and presumably never will be, but they have come to be looked upon not as the ends in themselves, but as a means for a greater growth of the individual. Our forefathers in setting up our plan of government recognized that it was based upon an educated and enlightened people. Therefore, the importance of the school was clearly recognized. Today, with dangers both at home and abroad to our way of life, we realize that the schools must teach more than the conventional civics and the form of our government. It must inculcate in the youth which will shortly be the generation determining the policies and status of our society, an interest in and a devotion to our democracy and the American way of life. The fact that these basic principles were once won and established does not guarantee their perpetuation. Each generation must win them for itself. The chief agency for this is the American public school system. Locally I have seen this process and these objectives taking a stronger and more prominent place in the minds and activities of teachers and pupils. Concrete examples of these general principles will be seen in many of the topics discussed in this report.

2. School Buildings:

Early in this twenty-five year period an addition was made to the High School building. This allowed the organization of the Junior High School. For several years the increase of school enrollments has been most evident in the primary grades. Gradually it has been necessary to give up the double grades in several rooms until at the present time there are single grades for each room. Now with an enrollment of forty-one in the first grade and the possible first grade enrollment for at least the next four or five years of forty to forty-five pupils further steps must be made to meet the school building needs in Plainville. The active consideration of this problem to meet both the elementary and the Junior-Senior High School needs by the special School Planning Committee appointed by the town is to be highly commended. It has been a pleasure during the past year to meet at various times with this committee. I believe an excellent report and recommendations to the Town will be made by this committee.

3. Teaching Staff:

Objectives for education, buildings in which to carry on educational plans are needed, but both fail unless there is a qualified highly trained, devoted, inspired school teacher in the classroom. Competition to get the best teachers, of course, exists. Each town wishes to get such teachers. Many professional advantages such as the opportunity to work in a school system dedicated to the highest ideals and with a professional minded staff may induce young teachers to accept a position. A reasonable salary in relation to both the cost of living and the salary offered in other communities must, however, be available to attract or long hold capable teachers. As far as competitive conditions have made possible, the Plainville schools have tried to secure the best trained young graduates of the teachers' colleges and the liberal arts colleges. It has been recognized that our schools could not compete with the wealthy in holding such people for a long service. Through special assignments and teaching principalships, several such outstanding teachers have and are being held. During the war and the recent postwar years, there has been, as we all are aware, a great shortage of teachers. The increased competition for the type of teacher we have described has increased drastically. In the rapid increase in teachers' salaries, our schools have made reasonable progress, but have

not kept up with the general increase. This problem is under serious consideration by the School Committee at the present time.

"America needs teachers. She needs teachers whose hearts will leap when children run to meet them in the morning, whose eyes will flash with pride when the schoolhouse door swings open. She needs teachers who are trained and dedicated to the building of a better generation and a better world."—N. E. A. News.

4. The Pupil:

All of the factors listed above are centered on and directed towards the pupil. The aims of education, even the physical conditions in the classroom and the training of teachers, have more and more centered around the objective of making the pupil an active participant in the process of education. Mere memorization of facts from textbooks or from the teacher's experience is not sufficient. Countless stories have been told of pupils being exposed to information and then failing to act upon it. A pupil has often left a lecture on "Safety" to run out into the street and be run down by an automobile. A lesson in honesty may not prevent cheating in an examination. The active cooperation of the pupil in wanting to learn, in recognizing the worth-whileness of the objectives and in working to take his place in our society must be secured. A growth in this direction in teaching methods has taken place. A brief reference was made to this situation in the elementary school in last year's report. A similar change in point of view as to the place of the pupil in the process of education is taking place in the High School field also. An examination of many of the current High School activities and class procedures shows that this is taking place here also. The recently revised pupil accounting records and school report cards in both elementary and high school illustrate the same objective.

Social Studies

A committee of teachers representing the Elementary schools and the High Schools for both Norton and Plainville have been meeting this Fall to discuss and analyze our current practice in the teaching of Geography and History. A Professor from the State Teachers' College at Bridgewater has been present at one meeting to offer advice and suggestions to this

committee. A careful study of the aims and contents of school work in this field as recommended by our State Department of Education and in certain outstanding School Departments is being studied as the basis of our own plans and procedures. The textbook material in this field at the present time in our schools is badly in need of replacement. Teaching in this field furnishes the most important approach to the problem of helping our young people to appreciate and make as their own, the American way of life—our Democracy.

Brief Summary

Many important educational activities were started or carried on with exceptional success during the past year. Limitation of this report allows brief mention of only a few of them.

I wish to express appreciation for the outstanding service during the past seven years of Mr. F. Sumner Turner as principal of the high school. It has been a pleasure to have him as a leader in our school system because of his enthusiasm, energy and high educational ideals.

During the past year Mrs. Isabel Maddocks resigned as school nurse after giving several years of faithful service to this work. Mrs. Janet W. Claudy was elected to this position and has started this work with much enthusiasm and ability.

This fall a new basketball league called the Mayflower League has been organized. This will do much to standardize and to put on an organized basis school competition in this sport. Mr. Turner was active in the organization of this league and the Plainville Lions Club is one of the clubs which is presenting the trophy for competition in this league.

During the past year the Plainville Parent-Teacher Association and the Plainville Lions Club have both given large sums of money and active support to many school enterprises. Both organizations have done this in the past and I wish to record sincere appreciation of the continuance of this splendid work.

The School Lunch program which has been brought up to a very high standard has continued during the past year. The schools have been fortunate in having Mrs. Cheever and Mrs. Lougee continue in its operation. The School Lunch program is a valuable asset to the health of our pupils.

Special attention is called to the comment of Miss Wood, Principal of the Primary School, in her report concerning penmanship and reading. The new penmanship system is also in use in the Junior High School. A new and intensified addition to the reading program has just been started by Mrs. Brinton in the Junior High School which will supplement the work in the Primary Schools under Miss Wood.

During the past year Mrs. Harriet Washburn has returned to supervise the music in the Primary Schools. Pupils and teachers are both very happy to record their appreciation of her work in our schools. The recent Christmas operetta is an expression of the benefit of her supervision.

This last fall Mr. Nahum P. Gillespie was secured to take charge of the music in the Junior and Senior High Schools.

Mr. Gillespie has been an instructor in Dean Academy and at the present time is supervisor of music in the Norton schools, and also conducts his private studio in Brockton. I feel confident, before the end of the school year, that there will be in various public events tangible evidence of the value of his work.

Careful consideration to the following reports is urged:

PLAINVILLE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Roland L. Wolcott, Principal

Having assumed the duties as Principal of the Plainville Junior-Senior High School on December 6, 1948, I consider it impossible to present a full report of school activities for the past year.

An administrative change during the school year presents problems for an administrator, the faculty, and the student body. Recognizing this fact, I feel that any major changes in the educational program must await a careful study of our problems. After only two weeks, I am unable to present such a report. I can assure you that every possible effort will be made to constantly improve the educational program in the Plainville Junior-Senior High School.

Upon my arrival, I was pleased to find arrangements nearly completed for the purchase of a new motion picture projector. This equipment is now available for use in classrooms and assemblies. At my request, the School Committee has provided a sum of money for film rentals. It is our plan to book as many desirable films as we can profitably use for specific classroom teaching-learning purposes. Films containing more general information for use with larger groups will be reserved for assemblies.

May I take this opportunity to thank personally the members of the School Committee, Mr. Nourse, and the faculty for their fine cooperation since my arrival.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Beatrice H. Wood, Principal

It is with pleasure that I submit my sixth annual report on the activities and progress of the Primary School.

When school opened in September, the enrollment by grades was as follows:

Grade 1	37
Grade 2	28
Grade 3	23
Grade 4	26
Grade 5	26
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	140

At the present time 147 pupils are enrolled. The first and second grades are particularly large—much larger than they have been for some time.

During the fall I have spent one day a month visiting the various classrooms to observe the presentation of our new Penmanship system and the progress of Reading.

In October we introduced the Kittle System of Writing. This system was planned by a former teacher of many years

experience. She had ample opportunity to observe the difficulties confronting children learning to write, and from her experience and observation evolved a most effective way of teaching Penmanship. We noted an improvement soon after the introduction of the system—not only in regular penmanship drills, but also in the carry-over to other written work.

Reading is progressing satisfactorily. We are endeavoring to continue drill in phonics in the upper grades so that the pupils will be able to sound out for themselves new and unfamiliar words.

Reading classes are divided into groups, each group reading different books, according to its ability. On the whole, the majority of our pupils are up to grade, and many are able to read material far beyond their grade level.

This year, Miss Allen, the third grade teacher, has given half-an-hour one day a week to each grade for the purpose of teaching them games, folk dances and athletic skills. This period was planned as part of our preparation for Play Day.

Our playground, being situated on all sides of the building, is a difficult one to supervise. An effort is made to have at least one teacher on duty from the time the first bus arrives in the morning until the last bus leaves at night.

All grades participate in supervised play at recess, but at other times the pupils play freely by themselves. In order to simplify the problem of supervision, pupils who do not come to school on the bus have been requested to remain away from the school grounds until 8:30 in the morning and 12:30 in the afternoon.

In the spring, Play Day was held in the Town Park. The program consisted of competitive games, races, stunts, folk-dances, the crowning of the May Queen, and was featured by a bicycle parade.

Our Memorial Day program, for the first time in several years, was combined with the Junior High and High School programs. Once again we were privileged to have as guests veterans of both World Wars and members of the Legion Auxiliary.

Our annual Exhibition of school work was well attended and provided an excellent opportunity for parent-teacher conferences.

During National Education Week we held Open House and welcomed many visitors. On one afternoon tea was served in the school lunch room after school, and this, too, resulted in a pleasant and profitable social hour.

This year, Mrs. Washburn, our Music Supervisor, coached a Christmas operetta, "Thirty Minutes with Santa Claus." Every child in school took part, either as one of the stage characters, or as a member of the group singing Christmas songs. Without Mrs. Washburn's help this presentation would have been impossible, for she gave unstintingly of her time and experience in order that the operetta would be a success.

As usual, the pupils enjoyed several movies related to their school work.

Mr. Hawkins, of the Registry of Motor Vehicles, gave a talk and showed movies about Safety.

Miss Worthington, from the Hood Milk Company, spoke on the nutritional value of milk, and also showed movies about this subject.

Again, through the kindness of the Parent-Teacher Association and the School Committee, the fifth grade enjoyed the nature Study classes conducted by Mr. Dennis, Superintendent of the Bird Sanctuary at Sharon, and sponsored by the Massachusetts Audubon Society. These classes included lectures, movies, demonstration lessons, field trips, exhibits, and culminated in a visit to the Bird Sanctuary.

Our financial activities were much the same. The pupils contributed generously to the March of Dimes, the Junior Red Cross (again we achieved an enrollment of 100 percent), and the Tuberculosis Drive.

In the spring we held our annual campaign to sell seeds.

The girls and boys brought in many toys and gifts which were sent overseas for Christmas.

Once more, may I commend Mrs. Cheever for her tact and patience with the children, and for the nutritious lunches she serves each day.

To the Primary School teachers, also, my gratitude for their cooperation and efforts in trying to make the Primary Building a pleasant and efficient place for both teachers and pupils to work.

They join me in thanking you, Mr. Nourse, for your help and understanding, and the members of the School Committee for their support and consideration.

ART

Louise B. Spier, Supervisor

"Art is understood by all civilized Nations while each has a separate language."—Plato.

The pupils of the high school art classes and the sixth, seventh and eighth grades have been painting pictures of every day life to send to foreign countries under the International Art Exchange program which is sponsored by the National Art Education Association and the American Junior Red Cross. Czechoslovakia, France, Sweden, Venezuela, Belgium, Greece, Japan and Canada are countries participating in this exchange program. The opportunity to give children of other countries an idea of life in America and to help promote a better understanding and friendliness with other nations is of utmost value to our young people. It is hoped that eventually there will be pictures in return from some of these foreign countries.

The art program has continued as usual throughout the grades. Children have had the experience of using crayons, finger paint, easel paint, watercolor and pempera. They do representation, design and simple construction work, correlating with regular subjects wherever possible. The first grade painted six nursery rhymes in large panels; the second grade, a mural on planting through harvesting crops; the third

grade, a mural on Mexico; the fourth grade, ten panels on ships; the fifth grade, a series on the development and history of bicycles; the seventh grade, large illustrations of Valley Forge, Paul Revere, John Paul Jones and maps of historic places.

At Open House, last May, about forty-five or fifty people visited the high school exhibition of art, mechanical drawing and craft work. Examples of students' works in pencil, crayon, pastel, pen and ink, watercolor and tempera done through the year were shown.

The results of the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. annual poster contest were as follows:

1st Prize—Anne Kilham	Grade 5
2nd Prize—Peter Hemmingsen	Grade 7
Honorable Mention—Elizabeth McQuade	Grade 4

The first prize was a silver pin; the second prize, a bronze pin; and the honorable mention, a year's subscription to the Society's magazine.

My sincere thanks to Mr. Nourse, the principals and teachers for their continued cooperation and loyalty.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. John T. Cotter

All children attending the Plainville Schools were examined and the general health was found to be good. There was noted the usual percentage of dental defects which were listed and parents notified. Second in number were the cases of infected tonsils, which were also noted and parents notified.

The annual diphtheria prevention clinic was held during the spring of 1948, and the pre-school examinations were held in May 1948.

The examinations for the years 1948-1949 are in progress at present.

There has been an outbreak of ringworm of the scalp in surrounding communities, and to date three cases have been discovered in Plainville's school. The necessary precautions are being taken, and any suspicious cases will be examined as they appear.

It is planned to hold the usual diphtheria prevention clinic and pre-school examinations in the spring.

I wish to thank Mrs. Claudy, the school nurse, for her able assistance to me.

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Janet W. Claudy

A pre-school clinic was held in the spring, at which time children scheduled to enter school in the fall received physical examinations. Physical defects were noticed, and parents were notified, so that any physical impairments might be remedied prior to the opening of school.

Plans are being made to hold a Diphtheria Clinic this spring. Children from nine months to twelve years of age are eligible to attend, and to receive the immunization treatment for Diphtheria.

During the month of November, all students were given hearing and vision tests, and notices of defects were sent to parents.

Annual physical check-ups of all students are in progress. Senior students, all faculty members, and personnel have received chest x-rays.

I should like to thank Dr. Cotter, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Wolcott, and each member of the teaching staff for the cooperation given our program of health.

Closing

The Plainville School Committees have been through these twenty-five years sincerely devoted to the task of maintaining and constantly raising the educational standards in the schools. I know, as few others have had the opportunity to observe, the many demands of the school committees responsibilities. The present school committee is faithfully meeting the needs of the school. It is a pleasure to work under such leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE,

Superintendent.

PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Exercises, June 23, 1948

PROGRAM

Processional	Seniors
Invocation—The Lord's Prayer	Chanted by the Glee Club
Salute to the Flag	Audience
America (1st and 4th verses)	Audience
Salutatory—"The Eyes of the Future"	Gordon Ray Anderson
High School Glee Club	
"Moonlight and Roses"	Lemare
"Love Thy Neighbor"	Gordon and Revel
Valedictory—"Carpe Diem"	Mildred Arleta Franklin
Presentation of Class Gift	Edward Fryer Rose
President, Class of 1948	
Presentation of Plainville High School Alumni Award	
Mr. Arthur W. Washburn, Jr.	
President of Plainville High School Alumni Association	
Presentation of Awards to Graduating Class	
F. Sumner Turner, Principal	
High School Glee Club	
"Out of My Dreams"	Rodgers and Hammerstein
Address—"The Measure of Success"	Albert O. Davidsen
Director, Sturdy Memorial Hospital	
Diplomas presented by	Clinton E. Barton
Secretary, Plainville School Committee	
Star Spangled Banner	Audience
Benediction	Reverend John M. Bowmar
Recessional	Seniors

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Edward Fryer Rose
Vice President	Berkley Stanton Davis
Secretary	Beverly Lorraine Riley
Treasurer	Mildred Arleta Franklin
Valedictorian	Mildred Arleta Franklin
Salutatorian	Gordon Ray Anderson

CLASS ROLL

College Preparatory

Gordon Ray Anderson	James John Davis
Mildred Arleta Franklin	Jean Elizabeth Proal
Beverly Lorraine Riley	Edward Fryer Rose

COMMERCIAL COURSE

Jeannette Easterbrooks	Lucy Isabel Sharron
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GENERAL COURSE

Berkley Stanton Davis	Joseph Edward Gaulin
Phyllis Marie Meunier	

CLASS MOTTO

Graduation, A Milestone, Not a Hitching Post

Class Colors

Class Flower

MAROON and WHITE

MAROON CARNATION

FACULTY

Mr. F. Sumner Turner, Principal
Biology and Guidance

Mrs. Virginia Brinton
Social Science

Mrs. Dorothy M. Cooke
English and Music

Miss Rosemonde E. LaFleur
Foreign Languages and English

Mrs. Patricia B. Langlin
Commercial

Miss Grenith Rood
Social Studies and Physical Education

Miss Louise B. Spier
Art

Mrs. Dorothy L. Tufts
Mathematics

Miss Marie C. Volk
Mathematics and Science

STATISTICS

Extracts from the School Census of October 1948

Pupils between 5 and 7	26	34	60
Pupils between 7 and 16	136	127	263
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SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS

Number of pupils examined	303
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight	25
Number of pupils found defective in hearing	35
Number of notices sent to parents	60

Work Certificates

Number of employment certificates issued	3
Number of educational certificates issued	45
Average number of days the Elementary Schools were in session	178
Number of days the High School was in session	183

Perfect Attendance for the School Year 1947-1948

Grade 10—Bruce Foote	
Grade 9—Alden Franklin	
Grade 8—Russell Babbitt, Robert Carvalho, Alfred Felici, Bruce Hayes, Alan Whent	
Grade 6—Frederick Benker, Karolyn Youngdahl	
Grade 5—Roger Babbitt, Beverly Snell	
Grade 4—Arthur Belanger, Ronald Felici	
Grade 2—Michael Barnes	
Grade 1—Stephanie Stafford	

ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1948

	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per cent of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High School	11,083	60.29	66	63.41	95.26	429	91
Grade 8	3,743	20.34	21	21.14	96.22	66	9
Grade 7	3,327	18.08	20	19.09	94.71	61	6
Grade 6	4,051	22.02	23	22.89	96.19	65	27
Grade 5	5,803	33.26	37	35.43	93.88	72	6
Grade 4	3,809.5	21.83	24	23.28	93.77	10	1
Grade 3	4,329	24.81	30	28.07	88.39	70	10
Grade 2	3,235	18.54	21	19.93	93.02	6	0
Grade 1	5,293	30.33	35	33.62	90.21	19	2
Total	44,673.5	249.50	277	266.86	93.52	798	152

LIST OF TEACHERS—JANUARY 1, 1949

School	Name	Where Educated	Date of Appt.
Junior-Senior			
High School			
	Roland L. Wolcott, Principal	Middlebury College, A. B.	1943
	D. Rita Davis	Boston University, Ed. M.	1943
	C. Bateman Ewart	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1943
	Virginia C. Brinton	Dartmouth, B. A.	1946
	William J. Galarneau	Salem State Teachers College, B. S.	
	Grenith M. Rood	Boston University, A. M.	1948
	Rose Marie Downie	Boston University, B. S.	1947
	Marie C. Volk	Boston University, B. A.	1948
		St. Joseph's College, B. A.	1946
		Radcliffe College, A. B.	
Primary 5	Beatrice H. Wood, Principal	Framingham State Teachers College	1930
Primary 4	Esther F. Grant	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1946
Primary 3	Barbara Allen	Perry Normal	1947
Primary 2	Clarice Van Ummersen	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1946
Primary 1	Elizabeth J. Snow	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1945
Drawing	Louise B. Spier	Mass. School of Art, B. S.	1945
Music	Nahum P. Gillespie	New England Conservatory of Music	1948
Music	Harriet F. Washburn	Boston Teachers College	1948

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1948

GIRLS

Ages	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Grade 1	5	12	2													19
Grade 2	2	15														17
Grade 3			3	4	2	2										11
Grade 4				2	13	2										17
Grade 5					5	6	2		1							14
Grade 6							7		5	4						16
Grade 7							6		7	3		1				17
Grade 8									1	5						6
Grade 9										1	2	3				6
Grade 10											1	4	5			10
Grade 11												3	4			7
Grade 12												3	6	2	1	12
	5	14	20	6	20	10	15	14	13	3	11	12	6	2	1	152

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1948

BOYS

Ages	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Total
Grade 1	2	16	1												19
Grade 2			12	1											13
Grade 3			5	5	1										11
Grade 4				1	8	1									10
Grade 5					5	6	1								12
Grade 6						6	11	3	1						21
Grade 7							4	5							9
Grade 8							1	6	2	1					10
Grade 9									4	10	3		1		18
Grade 10										1	3	4			8
Grade 11											1	2	1	1	6
Grade 12												2	3		5
	2	16	18	7	14	13	17	14	7	12	7	8	5	1	142

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

Your Water Commissioner's report the following extensions completed: Potter Avenue, Hillcrest Drive and Walnut Street.

There have been more services laid this year than in any other year.

One (1) hydrant on South Street replaced.

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS**POTTER AVENUE and HILLCREST DRIVE**

Balance on hand, January 1, 1948		\$ 262.16
August 17—Frank King, labor	\$ 96.00	
Charles Hunt, labor	6.00	
Louis Morrell	100.00	
H. B. Thompson	50.00	
Dec. 21—Frank King, labor	10.00	
	<hr/>	262.00
Balance		<hr/> \$.16

WALNUT STREET EXTENSION

Balance on hand, January 1, 1948		\$3,745.40
August 31—		
H. R. Prescott & Sons, supplies	\$110.58	
L. Morrell, digger and labor	250.70	
Frank King, labor	36.00	
Alton French, labor	55.00	
Chester Meyer, labor	8.00	

September 28—

Pittsburgh Meter, supplies	91.72
Schofield Hardware	3.60
Chas. S. Cobb, trucking	11.50
Louis Morrell, digger	402.30
Harry Proal, labor	5.00
Arthur Sharron, labor	4.00
Frank King, labor	20.00

October 26—

No. Attleboro Water Dept., pipe	582.40
Frank King, labor	43.00
Louis Morrell, digger and men	400.00
Harry Proal	15.00
Arthur Sharron	26.00

November 9—

Frank King, labor	34.00
Harry Proal	20.00
Arthur Sharron	10.00
Louis Morrell, digger and men	400.00

November 23—

Frank King labor	52.00
Chas. Cobb	3.00
Harry Proal	10.00
Arthur Sharron	8.00
Louis Morrell, digger and men	400.00

December 7—

Alec Frederickson, loader and labor	65.00
Alton E. French	50.00
Chester Meyer	5.00
Frank King	75.00
Plainville Coal and Oil	7.30
Harry Proal	10.00
W. H. Riley & Son, gravel	10.85
Arthur Sharron, labor	8.00
Louis Morrell, balance due on Walnut Street	468.00
H. B. Thompson, Supt.	25.00

December 21—

Frank King, labor	12.00
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 \$ 3,743.95

Appropriation, 1947	\$4,300.00	
Brought forward, Jan. 1, 1948	3,745.40	\$ 3,745.40
Expended		3,743.95
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Balance		\$ 1.45

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Appropriation \$4,300.00

February 18—

Frank King, labor	\$ 16.00
No. Attleboro Water Dept.	1,543.11

March 2—

Frank King, labor	3.00
Charles Hunt, labor	5.00
H. B. Thompson, salary	50.00

April 26—

H. R. Prescott & Sons	43.83
No. Attleboro Chronicle Co.	8.50
Charles Hunt, labor	20.00
Frank King, labor	48.00

May 12—

Charles Hunt, labor	14.00
Frank King, labor	33.00
Alton French, labor	20.00
Dunbar & Sumner	109.53

June 8—

Earl Sanford, digger	32.00
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July 20—

Frank King, labor	67.00
Charles Hunt, labor	65.00
No. Attleboro Water Dept.	1,935.00
Sumner & Dunbar	88.11
Alton E. French	25.00

August 17—

Frank King, labor	35.00
Charles Hunt, labor	33.00

October 26—

No. Attleboro Chronicle Co.	8.50
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December 7—

H. B. Thompson, bal. salary, chmn	47.42	
Frank V. Henrich, salary	25.00	
Alton E. French, salary	25.00	
		<u>\$ 4,300.00</u>

Expended:

Total amount collected and paid to Treasurer	\$4,980.79
Supplies due and unpaid	33.00
Rates due and unpaid	1,282.51

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. THOMPSON
F. V. HENRICH
A. E. FRENCH
Water Commissioners

REPORT OF MOTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Moth Superintendent for the year ending December 31, 1948.

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
Labor	\$466.45
Truck hire	227.00
Tractor hire	15.00
Supplies	198.80
	<u>\$ 907.25</u>
Balance	\$ 92.75

Respectfully submitted,

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON
Moth Superintendent

PLAINVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of Trustees of Public Library

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held directly after Town Meeting and Theodore Wickman was reappointed as President with Mrs. Alice Pease as Secretary.

The Library has been open to the public on all required days for the past year with competent assistant librarians alternating.

Cooperation with the school in the matter of certified State Reading is continued and books are added to the list yearly.

We have continued our practice of giving discarded books to the hospitals needing reading material.

Our circulation dropped a little this year.

A new stove was purchased and installed making the office comfortably warm when necessary.

It was necessary to hire a janitor permanently and the services of Elmer Pease were acquired for the position.

Fiction	6,082
Non-Fiction	13
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Circulation	6,095
Appropriation	\$550.00
Expended	550.00
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Balance	\$.00

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE WICKMAN
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN
ALICE M. PEASE

Trustees of the Public Library

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

We submit our annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1948.

During the year 6 arrests were made.

Complaints and investigations, 62.

Papers served for out-of-town departments, 19; Summons, 15; Capias, 1; Warrant, 1; Trustee-writ, 2.

Motor Vehicle accidents for the year, 20. Persons injured, 12. Number of deaths, 0.

In our report we find that the Motor Vehicle accidents have dropped off. Last year we had 41 injured, and 1 death, this year only 12 injured, and no deaths.

We feel, however, that this was a successful year as all of our cases were cleared up.

In submitting this report I want to thank your Board and members of this Department for the cooperation shown during the year 1948.

Appropriation		\$2,700.00
Salaries	\$2,585.00	
Matron (Franklin)	5.00	
Court Officer	4.00	
Taxi	41.25	
Telephone	57.25	
Supplies	1.10	
Association dues	5.00	
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Expended		2,698.60
Balance		\$ 1.40

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER A. MEYER,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

Again we would like to call your attention to the fact that this year our forest fire costs were held to a minimum, due to the fact we think that our citizens are more fire conscious from the educational programs, carried on by the State, Cities and Towns.

To correct a false impression by some people, we would like to inform them that a permit is required for an open air fire every day in the year.

We had eighteen house fire calls this year. We had one severe financial loss, that being the Paulus Rug Factory.

Our new 500 gallon Maxim Pumper was delivered and put in commission in April, and brings our equipment to a level comparable with any of the towns the size of Plainville.

We thank your Board and the townspeople for the fine co-operation we have received.

Appropriation		\$2,700.00
Salaries	\$1,190.00	
Salary, janitor	120.00	
Supplies and Equipment	879.12	
Dues, Warden Association	5.00	
N. E. Telephone and Telegraph	116.41	
Worcester Suburban	99.46	
N. A. Gas Company	8.08	
Insurance	249.00	
Expended		2,667.07
Balance		\$ 32.93

Fire Apparatus Appropriation	\$12,000.00
Expended	12,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTIAN F. HENRICH, Chief
ALTON E. FRENCH, First Ass't
CHESTER A. MEYER, Second Ass't
Board of Fire Engineers

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit our report for the year ending December 31, 1948.

The usual maintenance work at the Town Forest consisted of the cutting of brush in the pines and cutting of brush and grass in the vicinity of Sandy's Dairy Bar.

Appropriation	\$75.00
Expended	71.17
Balance	\$ 3.83

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. SNELL
HARRY O. PROAL
EDGAR F. BERRY

Town Forest Committee

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health was active during the year with more than the usual number of cesspool complaints, probably aggravated by the mild weather and excessive rainfall. All of these situations were promptly investigated and orders for correction given.

In April, Steele's Dairy and Laboratory Service was awarded a contract providing for milk and restaurant inspection, and the results therefrom have convinced your Board that this service is a worthwhile contribution to the maintenance of public health. In this connection, the Board greatly appreciated the efforts of students in the Plainville High School, who mimeographed and distributed copies of the Board of Health regulations.

Numerous wells in the out-lying districts were examined by the State, as to their safety for drinking purposes.

Disease recordings on file at the Town Office for the year 1948 are as follows:

27 Chickenpox

2 Measles

17 Mumps

2 Dog Bite

RALPH E. CROWELL

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS

Board of Health

**REPORT OF PARK AND PLAYGROUND
COMMISSIONERS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We hereby submit our annual report—

Playground activities continue at a normal pace. The ball field was used early in the year by the High School, but baseball ceased at the close of the school. The swimming pool and playground apparatus was used considerably during the summer. The cement walls around the pool are in a dangerous condition and should be rebuilt immediately. An instructor was furnished by the Red Cross to teach swimming to younger groups and was a success. We wish to thank the Red Cross for their assistance.

We were able to purchase a new power mower about the first part of July, after that the grass was kept in fair condition. Brush has been cut and burned north of the ball field and around the horseshoe court.

It is hoped that this summer we will be able to hire a man to do the work around the grounds.

We are asking for an appropriation of \$900.00.

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Labor	\$364.66	
Equipment	261.19	
Supplies	5.74	
Geraniums	24.00	
Repairs	6.24	
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Expended		671.83
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Balance		\$328.17

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE F. TELFORD

GEORGE HAYES

META A. SCHUBERT

Park and Playground Commissioners

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as Tree Warden for the year ending December 31, 1948.

Appropriation		\$300.00
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Labor	\$ 11.10	
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Truck hire	9.00	
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State Tree Expert	267.00	
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Supplies	10.14	
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Balance		<hr/> \$ 2.76
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Respectfully submitted,

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON,

Tree Warden

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK AND DAIRIES

To the Board of Health,
Plainville, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Milk and Dairies for the Town of Plainville, for the year ending December 31, 1948, as follows:

Milk Licenses issued: 32 @ 50c	\$16.00
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Oleomargarine Licenses: 3 @ 50c	1.50
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	<hr/> \$17.50
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Cash paid Town Treasurer	\$17.50
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Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Milk Inspector

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1948.

All cattle brought in from out of State were identified by ear tag and released.

The fall inspection asked for by the State has been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Plainville, Mass.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Plainville, Mass.—

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Slaughtering from October 1st to December 31, 1948.

There were 21 carcasses inspected and stamped, and the required reports sent to the State Department of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Inspector of Slaughtering

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the
Town of Plainville—

Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors hereby respectfully submit their
report for the year ending December 31, 1948.

Town Appropriations	\$131,283.76
State Tax	.00
County Tax	2,161.13
State Exam. Retirement System	278.77
Tuberculosis Hospital	797.98
State Audit Municipal Accounts	387.57
Overlay Reserve	2,212.83
State Parks and Reservations	109.22
Total	\$137,231.26
Total Estimated Receipts	46,377.59
Voted from available funds	23,166.89
County Tax (over est.)	419.73
State Parks and Reservations (over est.)	29.46
Total available funds	\$69,993.67
Number of polls, 614	1,228.00
Total valuation, \$1,737,094.50 @ \$38.00	66,009.59
Total taxes committed	67,237.59

Excise Tax

Total number of cars assessed—862	
Total valuation of cars	\$202,170.00
Total excise tax	8,191.32

Table in Aggregates

Number of persons, partnerships and corporations
assessed on property—806

Valuation assessed:

Personal	\$ 279,864.50
Buildings	1,155,490.00

Land	301,740.00
Total Valuation assessed January 1, 1948	\$1,737,094.50
Total Tax on Personal Estate	10,634.85
Total Tax on Real Estate	55,374.74
Tax on Polls	1,228.00
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	\$ 67,237.59

Number of cattle assessed	265
Number of horses assessed	25
Number of dwelling houses assessed	465
Number of acres of land assessed	63,060
Number of fowl	5,372
Number of swine	7
Number of sheep	6

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK V. HENRICH

CHARLES J. QUIRK

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS

Board of Assessors, Plainville, Mass.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPT.

CHAPTER 81—HIGHWAY

Date of	Voucher To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
Appropriation		\$	\$4,300.00
Transfer			7,393.07
	Labor	\$3,715.90	
	Material	3,738.88	
	Truck Hire:		
	Town of Plainville	638.00	
	W. H. Riley & Son	417.89	
	Earl Sanford	88.50	
	L. Grimaldi	28.00	
	Williard, Wrentham	38.00	
	P. Cavalieri	18.00	
	Averill's Garage	22.50	
	Calcagni	87.00	
	M. Gay	45.00	
		\$1,382.89	
	Graders:		
	E. Sanford	972.00	
	Adams Asphalt	187.50	
		1,159.50	
	Power Shovel:		
	Williards	172.00	
	E. Sanford	588.00	
	L. Grimaldi	25.00	
		785.00	
	Tractor:		
	A. Frederickson	522.50	522.50
	Bulldozer:		
	W. H. Riley & Sons	103.50	
	L. Grimaldi	148.00	
		251.50	
	Compressor-Drill:		
	E. Sanford	90.00	90.00
			\$11,646.17
	Balance		\$46.90

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
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HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90

Appropriation			\$1,500.00
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Labor	\$543.88	543.88	
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Material	512.83	512.83	
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Truck Hire:

Town of Plainville	40.00		
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Earl Sanford	189.00		
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Calcagni	21.00		
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Adams Asphalt (roller)	114.92		
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A. Fredrickson	55.00		
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Town of Norfolk	20.00		
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	<u>\$ 439.92</u>		
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Journal entry		2.24	1,498.87
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Balance December 30, 1948			<u>\$ 1.13</u>
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HIGHWAY—CENTER TOWN

Appropriation			\$3,500.00
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Labor	\$ 699.30		
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Material	198.59		
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Gas, oil, etc.	2,415.36		
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Insurance-plates—2 trucks	134.60		
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Truck Hire:

Averill's Garage	1.50		
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Town of Plainville	50.00		
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	<u>\$3,499.35</u>	3,499.35	
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Balance			<u>\$.65</u>
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SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation			\$8,000.00
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Labor	\$3,335.00		
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Supplies and material	1,641.18		
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	<u>\$4,976.18</u>		
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Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
Truck Hire:			
	W. H. Riley & Son	1,621.00	
	A. Frederickson	905.00	
	McKee's Garage	100.00	
	Town of Plainville	845.00	
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		3,471.00	
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			8,447.18
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			\$ 447.18
	Trans. Extra-Ordinary Res.		447.18

HARRY O. PROAL,
Highway Dept.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

Gentlemen:

This is to certify that the books of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes and Water Department have been examined by me and found correct.

All amounts collected and paid to the Treasurer by the Tax Collector and Water Department agree with his statements, as well as all uncollected amounts.

The books of the Town Clerk, Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Milk Inspector have been examined and they also agree with the records of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE E. RIBERO,

Town Auditor.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

The year 1948 can be recalled in the future as having been a rather important one in the Town's history, marking as it did the first real evidence of post-war growth. Plainville's potentialities as a thriving residential community have gradually become apparent to would-be new home owners with the result that building construction has risen sharply and is continuing at a substantial rate. Such a trend is a healthy sign and a source of encouragement to your Board of Selectmen, as well as to the townspeople, but at the same time it poses the problem of expanding facilities for proper and adequate services to the growing list of new taxpayers.

The inadequacy of our school housing facilities has already been recognized and steps are underway to rectify the situation. There remains, however, a problem of rather pressing proportions in the extension of water mains. After considerable discussion, the Board wishes to record its suggestion that the Town adopt a gradual program, with specific sums being appropriated each year until the demand has been met and continued thereafter with smaller outlays as an inducement to further building growth.

As anticipated, the cost of Old Age Assistance, in keeping with rising prices, has continued upward. To keep pace with an increase of 8.3 per cent in the State grant for this purpose it was necessary to hold a special town meeting during the year to raise and appropriate additional funds. There is a strong possibility of another State increase during 1949.

The Plainville Grange and the local Lion's Club collaborated during the year in providing funds for the extermination of poison-ivy within the Town limits. The townspeople are further indebted to Alec Frederickson who donated the labor and equipment for the project. Your Board feels that the Town should now shoulder the burden and regularly appropriate funds for the continuation of this work.

The Board wishes to acknowledge on behalf of the townspeople, the public spiritedness which prompted the late Frank O. Corbin and the late Sidney A. Maddocks to serve the Town so well over a period of years. The loss of these men

will be keenly felt by the community, and appreciation of their efforts is hereby spread on the records.

Due appreciation is extended to all Town Officials, and the various departments for the splendid co-operaion rendered during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH E. CROWELL

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Board of Selectmen

Date of			
Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total

SELECTMEN'S CURRENT and INCIDENTALS

Salaries: Board of Selectmen	\$700.00	
Salary: Clerk of Selectmen	260.00	
Election and Town Meeting expenses	243.46	
Town Reports	\$396.00	
Warrants	28.75	
Ballots	64.50	
Jury Lists	3.75	
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American Legion Water Bill	10.00	
Supplies and expenses	291.75	
	<hr/>	\$1,998.21
Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
Expended	1,998.21	
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Balance	\$ 1.79	

TOWN OFFICE AND FIRE STATION

Salary: Janitor	\$159.50
Care of lawns	17.60
Fuel: Plainville Coal and Oil	660.61

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
Expenses and supplies	12.26		
		\$849.97	
Appropriation		\$850.00	
Expended		849.97	
			\$.03

GENERAL WELFARE

Cash Aid		\$1,102.50	
City of Attleborough		61.83	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph		84.39	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co.		55.32	
Supplies and Miscellaneous		176.63	
			\$1,480.67
Appropriation	\$1300.00		
Expended	1480.67		
		180.67	
Transferred Extra-Ordinary Res.			180.67

STREET LIGHTS

Worcester Suburban Electric Company			\$4,597.35
Appropriation		\$4,650.00	
Expended		4,597.35	
Balance		\$ 52.65	

NORFOLK COUNTY HOSPITAL

Treasurer, Norfolk County			\$945.27
Appropriation		\$945.27	
Expended		945.27	

TOWN AUDITOR

Salary, Mrs. Alice E. Ribero			\$75.00
Appropriation		\$75.00	
Expended		75.00	

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
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INSURANCE

Insurance, T. E. A. Fuller Insurance Agency		\$1,842.93	
Appropriation		\$1,900.00	
Expended		1,842.93	
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Balance		\$ 57.07	

VETERAN'S BENEFITS

Cash Aid			\$423.10
Appropriation		\$200.00	
Trans. Extra-Ordinary Reserve		400.00	
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Expended			\$600.00
			423.10
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Balance			\$176.90

MEMORIAL DAY

John Edward McNeill Post No. 217			\$148.00
Appropriation		\$150.00	
Expended		148.00	
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Balance		\$ 2.00	

OFFICIAL BONDS

Official Bonds			\$155.00
Appropriation		\$155.00	
Expended		155.00	

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town of North Attleboro, Board Patient (1)			
Bristol County Hospital			\$193.50
Board patient (1) Norfolk County Hospital			549.00

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
	Salary: Earl B. Thompson, Inspector of Animals		60.00
	Salary: Earl B. Thompson, Milk Inspector		50.00
	Salary: Merrill N. Falk, Inspector of Slaughtering, January 1—Oct. 15		30.00
	Salary: Putnam Steele Inspector for Board of Health,		185.00
	Supplies and Miscellaneous		42.75
			<hr/> \$1,110.25
	Appropriation	\$1,500.00	
	Expended	1,110.25	
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	Balance	\$ 389.75	

BOARD OF HEALTH—GARBAGE DISPOSAL

John Bielecki, contract		\$400.00
Appropriation	\$400.00	
Expended	400.00	

WELFARE AGENT

Ruth Fulton, Salary (part)		\$430.00
Appropriation	\$430.00	
Expended	430.00	

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Cash Aid		\$238.00
Appropriation	\$300.00	
Expended	238.00	
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Balance	\$ 62.00	

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—FEDERAL GRANT

Cash Aid		\$184.30
Credit balance, January 1, 1948	\$80.18	

Date of Voucher	To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
	Received from Federal Government during year 1948	165.00	
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		\$245.18	
	Expended	184.30	
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	Balance	\$ 60.88	

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—Federal Grant Adm.

Credit balance ,January 1, 1948	\$ 6.88	
Received Federal Government during 1948	11.17	
	<hr/>	\$18.05
Expended: Stamps		18.00
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Balance		\$.05

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT

Cash Aid		\$9,199.91
Received Fed. Gov. during 1948	\$9,537.14	
Refunds	16.37	
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	\$9,553.51	
Expended	9,199.91	
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Balance December 31, 1948	\$ 353.60	

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—Town Appropriation

Appropriation	\$11,500.00	
Appropriation: Special Town Meeting	4,000.00	
Refunds, 1948	106.05	
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	\$15,606.05	
Expended	15,606.05	

Date of Voucher		To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—Federal Grant Adm.				
Credit balance, January 1, 1948			\$ 47.01	
Received Fed. Gov. during 1948			253.86	
				\$300.87
Salary: Agent (part)		\$170.00		
Stamps and Expenses		78.42		
				248.42
Balance				\$52.45

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of Plainville,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby notified to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in Town Hall in said Plainville, on

MONDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH 1949, A. D.

at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose all the necessary Town Officers.

Article 2. The following to be chosen by ballot, viz: One Town Clerk, one Auditor, one Tree Warden, one Moderator, and three Constables for one year. One Selectman and Overseer of Public Welfare, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Water Commissioner, one member of School Committee, one Assessor and one Park Commissioner for three years.

All officers, except the above named are to be chosen for one year.

Polls will be open at 7:00 A. M. and may be closed by vote at 4:00 P. M.

Article 3. To consider and act on the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to postpone action on all other articles to an adjourned meeting to be held Monday evening, March 7, 1949 at 7:30 P. M. in the Town Hall.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Moderator	\$20.00 each Annual Meeting 10.00 each Special Meeting
Town Clerk	300.00 per year
Town Treasurer	600.00 per year
Selectmen, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	200.00 per year
Third Member	200.00 per year
Assessors, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	300.00 per year
Third Member	300.00 per year
Tax Collector	600.00 per year
School Committee	40.00 each member
Water Commissioners, Chairman and Supt.	150.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year
Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	.85 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 7. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1949 and expressly for the following purposes to wit:

1. For the support of the Public Library.
2. For the Selectmen's current expenses and salaries.
3. For the Treasurer's current expenses and salary.
4. For the Town Clerk's current expenses and salary.

5. For the Assessors' current expenses and salaries.
6. For the Tax Collector's current expenses and salary.
7. For the Board of Registrar's current expenses and salaries.
8. For the salary of Town Auditor.
9. For Sealer of Weights and Measures' current expenses and salary.
10. For the payment of Insurance.
11. For Welfare.
12. Aid Dependent Children.
13. For Old Age Assistance.
14. For Veterans' Benefits.
15. For Highways and Bridges, center of Town.
16. For Memorial Day.
17. For Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt.
18. For Fire Department for current expenses and salaries.
19. For Street Lights.
20. For Water Department incidentals, pumping and salaries.
21. For Board of Health current expenses and salaries.
22. For Police Department, including Street Patrol.
23. For Tree Warden.
24. For Removal of Snow.
25. For Park Commissioners.
26. For Support of School and salaries of School Committee.
27. Town Forest Committee.
28. For heating and maintenance of Fire Station and Town Office Building.
29. For maturing debt.
30. For Welfare Agent.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treas-

urer, Town Clerk, and Secretary of the Water Commissioner's bond placed with a fidelity or guarantee company, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the carrying on of the Moth work for the coming year.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund to provide for the extraordinary unforeseen expenses, as authorized by Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of money apportioned to Plainville for repairs and maintenance of the Norfolk County Hospital.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the operation of Road Machinery or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Town Dump, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to install two street lights on Hillcrest Drive, the amount of money to pay

for same to be included in the amount to be raised under Sec. 19 of Art. 7, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to install one street light on Maple Street, the amount of money to pay for same to be included in the amount to be raised under Sec. 19 of Art. 7, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00, or any other sum for the continuation of the eradication of poison ivy in the Town, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to name two short stretches of old Taunton Street as Bartlett Road and Peterson Road, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. These two short stretches were by-passed when they laid out the present Taunton Street.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to provide that the Collector of taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector all accounts due the Town as provided for in Sec. 38A, Chap. 41 of General Laws, as amended by Chap. 197, of the Acts of 1948.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way, a private way now designated and known as Highland Ave. running from School to E. Bacon Street, provided such way shall first be put in condition and brought up to grade satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen, and a plan of same filed with the Board, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way, a private way now designated and known as Vernon Young Drive, starting from E. Bacon Street, provided such way shall first be put in condition and brought up to grade satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen, and a plan of same filed with the Board, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to install town water on Highland Ave., a distance of 500 feet, and raise and

appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to install town water on Vernon Young Drive, a distance of about 500 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to install a new water main on Cottage Street, from Spring to Pleasant, a distance of about 500 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to install a new water main on Pleasant Street, from Cottage to School, a distance of about 500 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to install water on School Street, easterly from Pleasant Street, a distance of about 2000 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1600.00 or any other sum, to paint Town Hall building two coats outside, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00, or any other sum, for grading the front, sides, and rear yards of the Town Hall building, complete with hard top surface, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$309.84, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as its share of the cost of the Norfolk County Retirement System, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and

appropriate the sum of \$3000.00, or any other sum to continue the drainage program, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$835.07 for the payment of an overdraft for Operation of Road Machinery, Center of Town, incurred during the year 1948, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land on Route 1 in the rear of the Shepardsville Chapel, and issue a deed for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to increase the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943; this increase to be added to the amount already earmarked for the building and equipping of a new school building, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 36. (Petition). To see if the Town will vote to lay a black top sidewalk on the southerly side of East Bacon Street, from Grove Street easterly for about 950 feet to Hillcrest Drive, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 37. (Petition). To see if the Town will vote to extend the drainage system easterly from the residence of Earl Swallow along Brunner Street, to the corner of Brunner and Grove Street, a distance of about 400 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 38. (Petition). To see if the Town will vote to install a water main on Fletcher Street, from West Bacon Street, for a distance of about 900 feet, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 39. To choose any committee and to hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at seven (7) Public Places in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof Fail Not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and fortynine.

(SEAL)

RALPH E. CROWELL

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Selectmen of Plainville

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